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FIFTEEN CENTS

Chamber members worry Downtown blight predicted



SANTA'S STILL GIVING — At Fred Beckman's request a \$100 check for his work with this year's Christmas program sponsored by the Antioch Chamber of Commerce Retail Group will go to the Mike Smallwood Cancer Fund, c/o State Bank of Antioch. This fund has been established by the Antioch Moose Lodge for the Smallwood family. From left, are Bruce Jablonski, ACCI, Beckman and Judy Page, chairman Smallwood Family Fund.

At a meeting of the Retail Committee of the Antioch Chamber of Commerce and Industry, held on Friday, Dec. 12, the rhetoric that took place before the meeting was called to order, between attending members of the Chamber, was more newsworthy than the actual discussion about future committee plans concerning Chamber activities.

The discussion centered around a recent development at the Antioch Village Board meeting wherein Mayor Michael Haley justified the board's actions on passing the ordinance establishing a full-time mayoral position by mentioning the need for a full-time person to "do the leg work" in convincing new business and industry to locate in Antioch.

One example given by Haley of possible "bigger things to come" was the negotiations in progress between the village and representatives of Jewel-Osco.

The site being considered for the commercial complex is reportedly just north of Rte. 83 and North Ave.

The Chamber members' discussion centered on two letters, written by the executive board of directors of the Chamber, one written to the village board, asking for more information on the project and expressing the Chamber's displeasure at not having been informed of these negotiations, and the other written to the entire membership of the Chamber questioning the wisdom of using industrially zoned property, which is in short supply in the village, for a retail complex.

The second letter also intimated that complexes of the type mentioned in the negotiations "often do not support the local financial institutions and act as a siphon on the money supply, receiving and not giving in return."

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Gander's goose cooked?

By Gloria Davis

One of southeastern Wisconsin's most popular business cinderella stories may be coming to an unhappy conclusion as Gander Mountain Sporting Goods Inc., in Wilmet, the catalog business that boomed into two of the area's largest retailers of sports clothing and equipment, declared bankruptcy under Chapter 11 on Tuesday, Dec. 9, according to Andy Bernhardt of the State Bank of Antioch.

On the following Wednesday and Thursday, employees of Gander Mt. were more than a little upset to find that many of the local financial institutions were refusing to cash their payroll checks, which were stamped with D.I.P. in red, meaning debtor in possession.

But as of Friday, Dec. 12, the State Bank of Antioch announced that they would honor Gander's payroll checks, under the auspices of the court "as long as the balance in the payroll account lasts."

The First Bank Southeast is also honoring the payroll checks "as long as Antioch says its okay."

A slightly different version of Gander Mountain's problems was given by Gander Vice President Thomas Curry as he stated, "This is not a bankruptcy, but a reorganization protected by Chapter 11."

According to Bernhardt, "It's still a bankruptcy, this just allows the court to keep Gander's creditors at bay until a financial debt payoff schedule can be mandated."

For the time being Gander Mountain Sporting Goods will still be allowed to operate.

About the future of one of the western county's largest employers, the normal staff fluctuating seasonally from 140 to 200 employees, Curry says, "All catalog orders are now being shipped, we have laid off 15 employees, some of which are normal seasonal layoffs but we are anticipating further layoffs."

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Good news in The News

Shopping Winners

The winners of the "Shopping Spree" contest sponsored by the Antioch Chamber of Commerce and Industry were announced by Chamber Secretary Dixie Sparks.

First prize, \$250 in merchandise or services from any of the participating Chamber member merchants, was won by Ella Cerny.

Second prize, \$150 in merchandise or services, was won by Maggie and Harry Lenny, owners of Thompson's Restaurant and third prize, \$100 in merchandise or services, will be taken home by Jean and Joe Jaworski, owners of Bernie's Deli.

ACHS Contest

The annual winter concert of the Antioch Community High School choir, temporarily under the direction of Ken Smouse, will be held on Thursday, Dec. 18, at 7:30 p.m.

Decoration Contest

Hope everyone's outdoor Christmas decorations are up this week since the judging for the Antioch Chamber of Commerce and Industry's Home Decorating Contest will be done as judges Gail Fields, The Olde Attic, Jane Craner, ACHS art teacher and Bev Reckers. Lasco's Florists, will be driving down every village street looking for the winners of the three prizes amounting to \$200.

Antioch Trust Co. starts relocation to corner site

The Antioch Trust Company, presently located in the Heritage Bldg. at 800 Main St. has entered into a contract to purchase the building at the southwest corner of Main and Lake Sts. that now houses the Left Bank clothing store.

According to Antioch Trust Company's president, Paul Pavelski, the trust company expects to conclude the transaction by the end of January.

"We will relocate our offices and be open for business at the new location on Feb. 2," Pavelski said.

He also stated that the address of the building, presently listed as a Main St. one, would be changed to 360 Lake St.

The building, built approximately in 1924, was once the home of the First National Bank of Antioch and the Antioch Mental Health's Thrift Shop, being taken over by Don Peterson, owner of Barnstables, for a youthful female clothing store, after post-fire renovation had taken place a few years ago.

Pavelski also mentioned that signs announcing the trust company's move will go up on the building immediately and that five offices on the third floor will be available for leasing.

Cop nabs robbers of four 'convenient' marts

Alert Round Lake Beach Police Sgt. Douglas Westermann sighted a man wearing a ski mask entering the White Hen Pantry on Fairfield Rd., Round Lake Beach at 12:19 a.m., Monday, Dec. 15, and having heard a police broadcast describing a man clad in a ski mask, wanted for robberies in Antioch and Lake Villa a few hours earlier in the evening, detained the man and an accomplice in a car for questioning.

In doing so Westermann recovered the money, amounting to approximately \$240, taken in both robberies and after questioning both men admitted to the armed robberies in Antioch and Lake Villa, the planned armed robbery of the White Hen Pantry and the armed robbery of the 7-11 Store in Round Lake Beach a month ago.

According to Antioch Police Chief Chuck Miller, arrested and charged with four counts of armed robbery each were Walter A. Hollen, 19, Round Lake Beach and Dennis H. Adams, 21, also of Round Lake Beach.

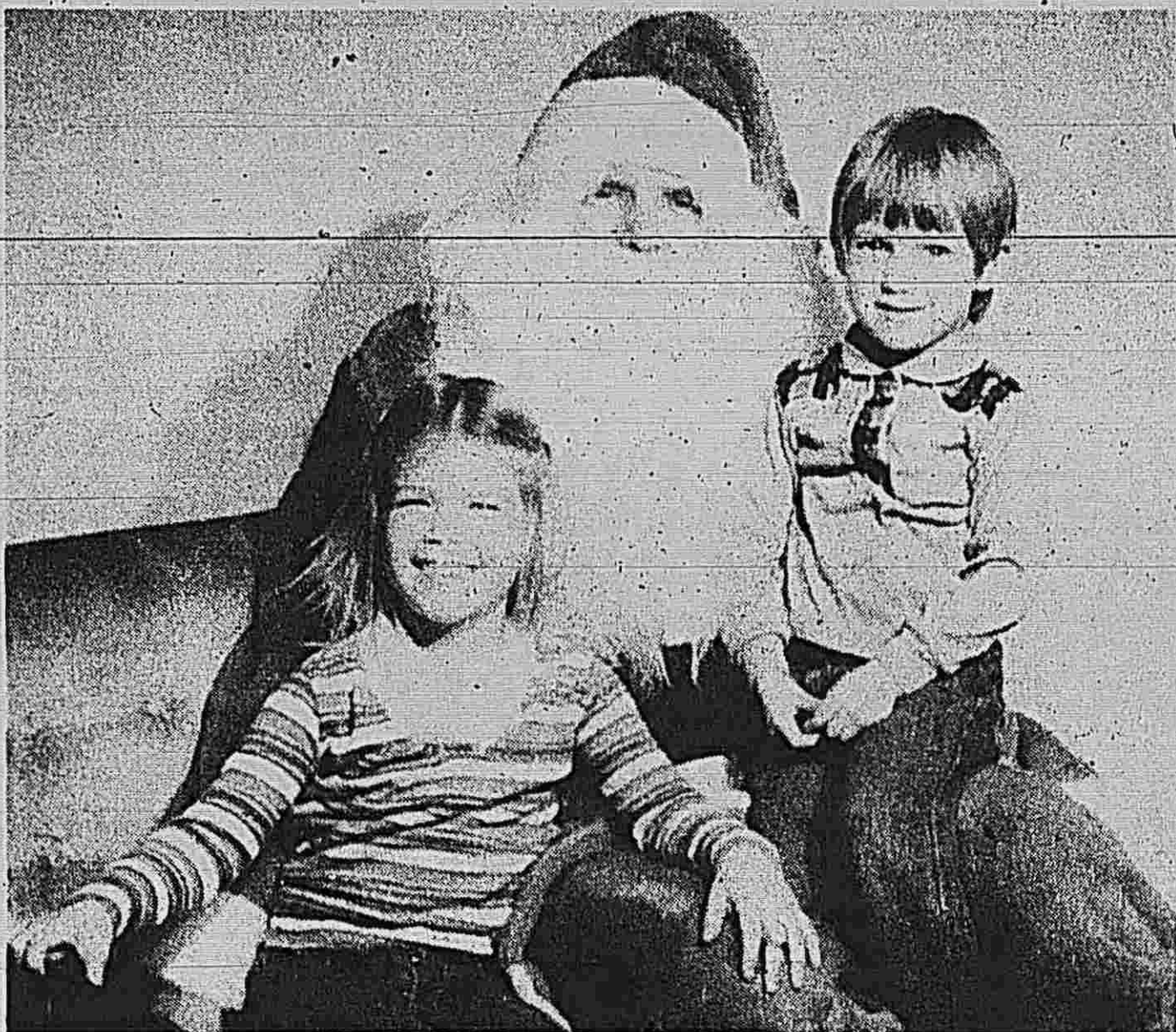
Adams was the masked-man that was entering the White Hen Pantry, admittedly to rob the place as he had the 7-11 Store a month previously while Hollen waited in the getaway car.

Hollen admitted to perpetrating the robberies, one at 10:09 at Bernie's Deli, North Ave., Antioch, where he displayed what appeared to be a gun a got \$80 in currency and the other an hour later at the Kwik Mart in Lake Villa, Rtes. 132 and 83, where he also displayed what was seemingly a weapon and took off with \$160 in cash.

Adams drove the car during these two robberies. The same search that produced the loot from the robberies in Lake Villa and Antioch also produced a sawed off pool cue, admittedly used for the "gun."

Both men were arraigned in Lake County Court on Monday, Dec. 15.

Hollen's bond was set at \$150,000 and Adams' bail was set at \$50,000.



PICTURES WITH SANTA — Having their picture taken with Santa are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Fullerton of Lake Villa, Trecia, 5 and Jeff, 3. Pictures with Santa is an annual event at the State Bank of Antioch and was held last Saturday, Dec. 13, and will be held again this Saturday, Dec. 20. Due to a change in the bank hours, pictures will be taken between 9 a.m. and noon. Everyone is welcome to bring their children for a visit with Santa and receive a Polaroid picture attractively framed, absolutely free.

Gander Mt. in trouble

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Curry further reports that besides the "reorganization," much concerning Gander's future operations will be decided at the general creditors meeting slated for Jan. 8.

Many conjectures as to the why's and wherefor of the possible failure of what many local wives referred to as the "Big boy's toy store," run the gamut from the "economy's impact on luxury sales" to "spreading themselves too thin" with the opening of the "sports supermarket," in Wauwatosa, to internal problems, with some of Gander's executives recently leaving the company.

Case in point is the fact that Bob Sturgess Jr., son of Gander's owner and the company's general manager until recent months has reportedly opened up another retail business in northern Illinois.

Another unvarnished rumour afloat is that negotiations for the sale of the company to Carson Pierri Scott had been in the hopper until this week.

Curry had no comment on this, he did say, "Any decisions as to the future of the store in Wauwatosa will be a completely independent one from the decision effecting the store in Wilmet."

Merchants worried

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But the two main concerns of the chamber members were if the area could support additional businesses of this magnitude without harming the existing businesses and the location of the proposed project, outside of the main business section.

Although Chamber President Dan Dugenske said, "The chamber has not taken a position on this question awaiting the results of the Dec. 22 village board committee meeting where discussion, questions and input from both the village and the chamber are expected," many of the retail committee members were quite vociferous in their opinions as to village board's action.

Thier objections seem to center around not being informed, being long time tax revenue contributors, and the fear that the advent of such a complex outside the downtown area would result in the eventual break-down of the present main shopping area, as has happened in many of the surrounding municipalities.

"Main and Lake Sts. could end up like Genesee St. in Waukegan," was one of the comments.

Mark McKinney, Antioch Savings and Loan, said that the village should alleviate the parking and other problems in the already existing downtown area before venturing outside it.

Bill Patterson, BJ's Men's Clothing, bitterly complained about the many years that the village board had promised to improve the downtown business section, promises that netted no monumental results to date.

Patterson also reported that he had already talked to two downtown merchants that said they would vacate their businesses downtown and move to the commercial complex if it became a reality.

The mention of the use of revenue bonds to give the complex's developers "cheap money" was another sore point with the chamber members.

Chamber President Dugenske cautioned the members to keep an open mind until after the meeting on the Dec. 22 and urged all chamber members to attend the meeting armed with questions and input.



The first building in America to be heated by steam was Boston's Eastern Hotel in 1945.

Seniors have Yule party

Chain O'Lakes Senior Services Volunteers shared their Christmas with the needy and/or lonely at a party held Dec. 12 at the United Methodist Church of Antioch.

Food stamps and Social Security are the necessities of life. The beauty of life flows from volunteers like theirs who are sharing their Christmas with some needy and/or lonely seniors.

"Over 95 percent of our volunteers are seniors themselves. Our pride hath no boundaries in the beauty they extend to one and all, not only at Christmas, but all

thru the year," said Bernida Johnson, chairman CLSSV.

They would also like to thank the following merchants of Antioch and surrounding area who helped make the party a success:

Grand Prize, donated by Lena Message, one of our volunteers and a senior citizen.

FOOD

Slove's Bakery, Winchells, Roland's Bakery, Jo-Pats, Antioch Beef and Baskin & Robbins.

GIFTS

Steve's Lounge, Gift Gallery, State Bank, First National Bank of Antioch,

Antioch Savings & Loan, Olde Attic, Barr Funeral Home, Glass Impressions, Mexican Shop, Graham's, Country House, Ben Franklin's, Marguerite Koenig, Methodist Ladie's Sewing Circle, Zayre, RTA and anonymous donations.

FLOWERS

Lasco's, Koeune, Floral Acres, Leiders, Nelson's and Bailey's.

They would also like to thank the Town & Country 4-H Club, Jane Wierschem and Carol Whitton, co-leaders, who supplied Christmas cookies to all our Meals on Wheels clients.

Women celebrate holidays

The Antioch Women's Club held their annual Christmas party and potluck luncheon on Dec. 1 at the Harbor Ridge Country Club.

After a delicious luncheon, a business meeting was held followed by singing Christmas carols and a visit from Santa Claus when gifts were exchanged.

The drawing of the Christmas raffle was held and the following were the winners.

Mrs. Marguerite Nelson won the beautiful wreath, second prize, a Santa, was won by Nancy Boarini and the third prize was a latch work stocking won by Laddie Korfeek.

Hostesses for the day were Alice Hinkle, Joan Toft, Loraine Hitchon, Gloria Graham, Trudy Anderson, Bette Darby, Ruth Jedele, Barby Tobias, Mildred Van Cleve, Eleanor Storey, Lorraine Steber and Audrey Cigrand.

The next meeting of the new year will be guest day on Jan. 19 at the Harbor Ridge Country Club at 1 p.m.

The program for the day will be "Climb Your Family Tree To See Your Place In History" given by Rosalie Stanton Clary.



ALICE AND HER RABBIT FRIEND — When the children of Antioch saw "Alice in Wonderland" at Antioch Community High School on Dec. 13-14, they were enchanted by Julie Dorich as Alice and Chuck Duha, who played the rabbit. — Photo by Gary Quedenfeld

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Grass Lake PTO raises \$550 for playground

More than \$550 was raised Sunday, Dec. 7, by 547 pancake-eaters at the Grass Lake PTO pancake day. Theme of the event was "Pancakes with Santa", and proceeds will benefit the playground equipment fund.

Huge amounts of pancake mix, sausage, juice and coffee were consumed by the delighted crowd, who enjoyed visits with Santa Claus and Miss Antioch.

Apologies go out to anyone who was turned away from the breakfast. Plans are already under way to make next year's breakfast capable of serving more people.

Committee chairmen for pancake day were: Wayne Cramer, chairman; Susan Cramer, co-chairman; Jeanne Lehmann, ticket chairman; Darlene Clauson, program chairman; Ceil

Bennett and Sharon Lehner, publicity chairmen.

Special thanks to Santa Claus and Miss Antioch for adding such a nice touch, they were both just super.

Also a big thank you to the following merchants for their generous donations.

Ben Franklin, King's Drugs, Zayre, State Bank of Antioch, Antioch, Round Lake & Fox Lake McDonalds, Country Mutual Insurance, Frank Recupido, Liz Schmehl, Fox Lake & Round Lake Burger King, Las Vegas Restaurant, Lakeside Restaurant, Truffles Restaurant, Kumpt's Grocery, Peggy's Grocery, Jewel (Round Lake), A&P Food Store, K Mart, Eagle (Round Lake), Antioch Savings and Loan, Swan's Liquors, Floral Acres, Wanda's Western, Vault

Restaurant, Village Ranch Restaurant, Triangle Restaurant, Antioch Pizza, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Jackie's Hallmark, Foremost Liquors, The Arbor Restaurant, The Country House, Antioch Drugs, Hahn Jewelers, Hilltop Restaurant and The Way We Were Restaurant.

Meyers, 47 dies in car crash

Funeral services for Gerald D. Meyers, 47, of Hickory St., rural Antioch, who was killed in a car accident Dec. 13 south of Antioch, were held Dec. 16 in Antioch.

Mr. Meyers was killed when his auto struck a tree and rolled over on Beach Grove Rd. west of Rte. 59 and south of Antioch.

He was employed as a plumber since 1955 having been last employed at the

Emerald Plumbing And Heating Co. of Chicago.

Survivors are his widow, Bertha J. (nee Traub); three sons, Joseph, Kevin and Gerald Jr.; two daughters, Mrs. Robert (Dierdre) Judge and Laura Meyers; one stepson, Randall Rapp; one stepdaughter, Sandra Rapp; his parents, Joseph and Flora Meyers of Chicago; three sisters, Mrs. Daniel (Lois) Harvey, Mrs. Robert (Doris) Witte and

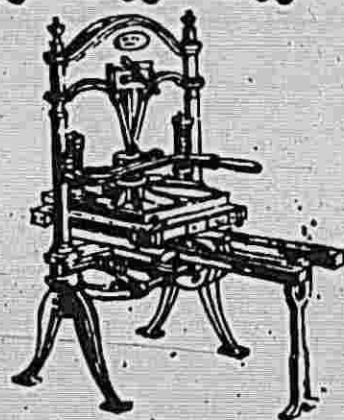
Mrs. Al (Shirley) Hahn; and one brother, Douglas Meyers.

Interment was in Hillside Cemetery, Antioch. Memorials may be made in his name to the Antioch Rescue Squad.

ALLEDALE SANTA

The Tenth District Council of the American Legion brought Santa and gifts to Alledale School on Saturday, Dec. 5.

The Time Machine



50 YEARS AGO: DECEMBER 18, 1930

Is there a candle burning in your window tonight? If so, you will receive a visit from the grade school carolers, who are trudging from house to house, watching for the sign to lift their voices in joyous caroling.

Colored light bulbs have been disappearing from the community Christmas tree at the corner of Main and Orchard streets the last week with such annoying regularity that village officers have been keeping a keen outlook for the guilty parties. Saturday five were missing and by Monday a total of eight had disappeared. Whether prank, malicious mischief, or just plain petty thievery, the acts will not be countenanced, according to Marshall John Brogan.

Santa Claus is coming to Antioch on Christmas Eve! He will be at Reeve's Drug Store shortly after 7 o'clock, so all you children be there waiting for him. Maybe little brother has never actually seen Santa Claus before — with his red fur-trimmed suit, his long white beard and twinkling eyes — he's fat and good natured too, and likes little boys and girls better than anything else on earth.

Miss Bertha Johnson began her duties as assistant in the Racket Store, Monday, where she will be employed until after Christmas.

Rexall weather chart calendars are now yours for the asking at King's Drug Store.

30 YEARS AGO: DECEMBER 21, 1950

Lester Bell was taken to St. Therese Hospital in Waukegan Sunday night suffering from a fractured hip received in a fall in the alley near the Frank Powles Meat Market on Lake St.

Stockholders of the First National Bank of Antioch received a dividend of 75 cents per share this week, according to E.J. Sletten, cashier of the bank.

Anthony Stanich, owner of the King Drug Store which was recently destroyed by fire, has leased the Bussie Keulman building on Main St. now occupied by the Lake Region Construction Co., 895 Main St., and will open his drug store there next week. He is at present filling prescriptions in a room at the rear of the Bud Holtz tavern.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hucker held their annual Christmas party for the children of the neighborhood at their garage show room last Saturday afternoon as has been their custom for sometime. The room was gay with its Christmas tree and decorations and the children provided their own program with games, songs, etc. and enjoyed the ice cream provided by Mrs. Hucker. Each child received a gift to take home.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Effinger and sons have moved into their new home on Cedar Avenue, near the church and are busy getting settled.

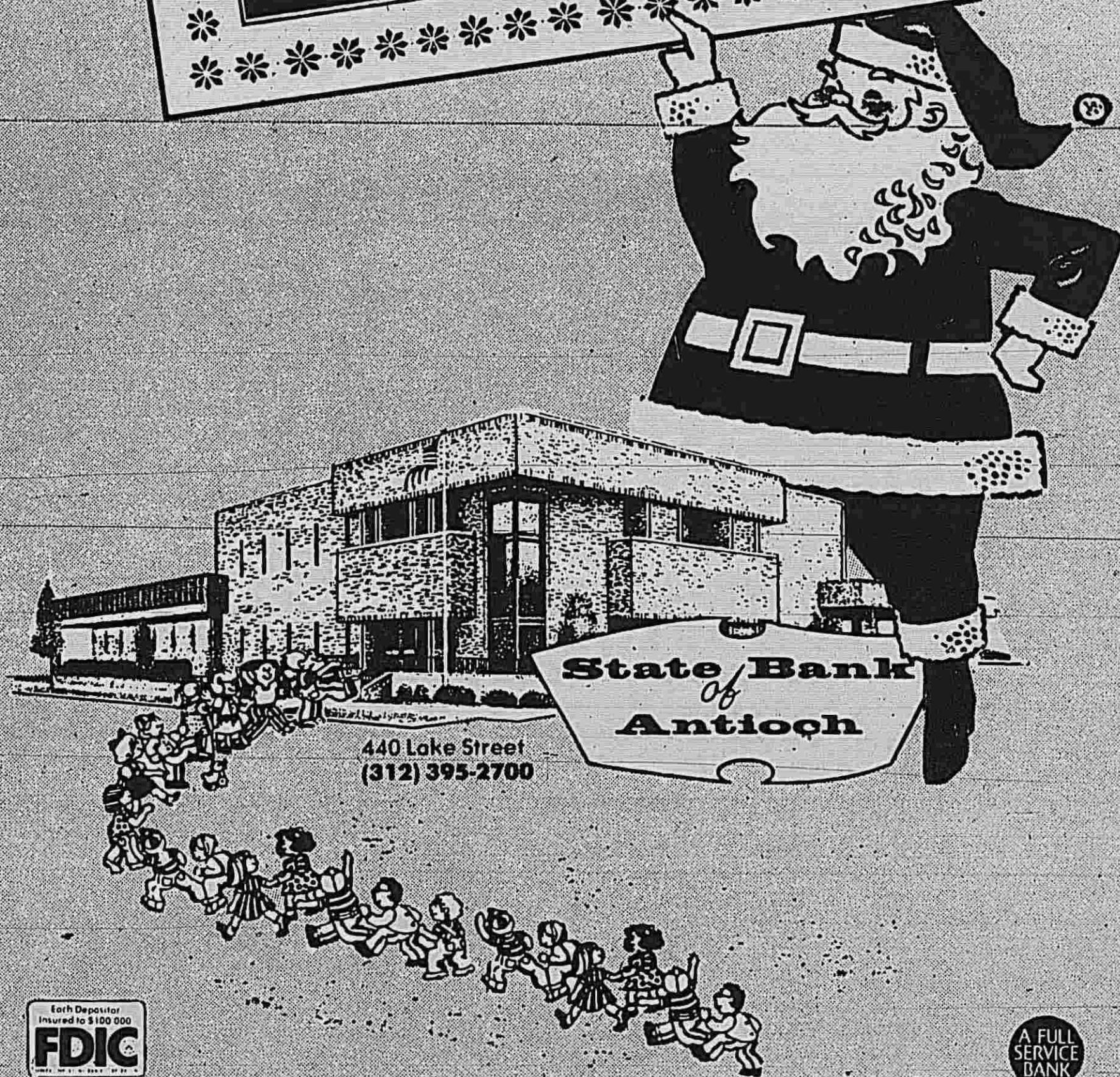
10 YEARS AGO: DECEMBER 17, 1970

Kevin O'Neill, son of Mrs. Catherine O'Neill has been awarded a letter in football at the University of Dubuque where he is a freshman, majoring in history.

Bristol School cheerleaders are sprouting new black and white uniforms thanks to the help of the PTA and resourcefulness of several women of the community. The committee comprised of Mrs. Lloyd Nelson, Mrs. Frances Held, Mrs. John Davidson and Mrs. Arnold Leifrig decided to buy sweaters and make the skirts. Cheerleaders are Anita Harshorn, captain, Sue Held, Linda Weitz, Susan Powroznik, Marylee Horton, and Teresa Malgaard.

New directors elected to the Chamber's board are Elaine Oftedahl, James Dayton and Jay Dziki. Retiring officers are Joe Beemsterboer, Doug Olson and John Romer.

KIDDIES PICTURES WITH SANTA!



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TREE WINNER — Christmas trees are even nicer when they're free. That's what put the happy smiles on the faces of, left, Mike, Sean and Karen Nolan when they went shopping for a real tree at Lasco's on Rt. 83 and found they had won one. — Photo by Gloria Davis

LCHD needs help

The Lake County Health Department prenatal program needs volunteers to baby-sit with pre-school children on Tuesdays from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and on Wednesdays from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., at the Belvidere Medical Building, 2400 Belvidere Rd., Waukegan.

Volunteers may choose to work Tuesdays or Wednesdays, or both days, keeping the children occupied with toys, stories, and games.

During these periods the children's mothers will be discussing parenting skills in nearby rooms. One of the first activities of the volunteers will be to help set up the room for the children.

Persons interested in volunteering for the program should call Sharon Doney at the Lake County Health Department, 689-6715, for further information.

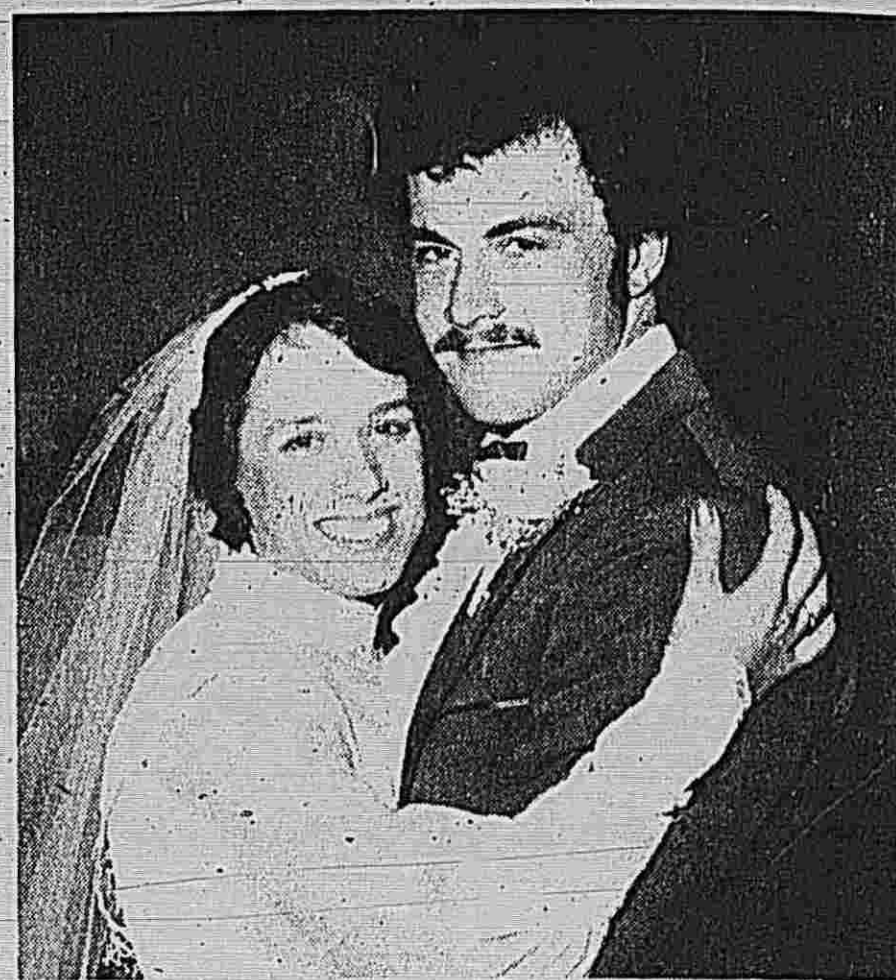
TURFING

Residents in the Hillside subdivision in Antioch have become victims of a high school craze called turfing, having repeatedly had their lawns damaged by kids driving over them.

KIDS MOVIE

The Antioch Jaycees have arranged a Christmas movie for children to allow parents to shop freely. The movie will be held from 1 to 5 p.m. on Dec. 20 at the old firehouse.

Wedding



Mr. and Mrs. Gerald G. Crane

A double ring ceremony united in marriage Janis S. Kosar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Kosar, Antioch, and Gerald G. Crane, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Davis, Burlington.

The Oct. 18 wedding took place at Paris Corners Methodist Church with the Rev. Stephen Polster officiating.

Maid of honor was Linda Kosar, matron of honor was Nancy Johnson, both are sisters of the bride. Bridesmaids were Diana Andrekus, Salem, Wis. and Barbara Ruhl, Lake Villa. Niece of the groom, Jennifer Crane was flower girl.

Robert Riege, Wheatland, was best man. Groomsmen were Robert Crane, Burlington, Mark Kosar, Antioch, and Jeff Niederer, New Munster, Wis. Ushers were Matt Kosar, Antioch, and Patrick Bass, Burlington. Ring bearer was nephew of the groom, Robert Crane, Jr.

Reception was staged at Maplecrest Country Club.

The two week honeymoon trip included Hawaii and San Francisco.

The bride and groom are graduates of Salem Central High School. Mrs. Crane also attended Gateway Technical Institute.

Crane is employed on the Crane farms.

Mr. and Mrs. Crane are living in Burlington, Wis.

Obituaries

Mary Gibbons

Funeral services for Mary Gibbons, 77, of Wilmot, will be held at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17, at Our Lady Of Lourdes Church, Chicago.

Mrs. Gibbons died Dec. 13 at Kenosha Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness. She was formerly employed with the Continental Illinois Bank in Chicago.

Surviving is one brother, Harry Gaughan of Wilmot. She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward, in 1968.

Interment will be in All Saints Cemetery, Des Plaines. Visitation was at Barr Funeral Home, Antioch.

Leonard J. Slattery

Funeral Mass for Leonard J. Slattery, 71, of Elmwood Park, will be said at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, Dec. 17, at St. Patrick Church, Wadsworth.

Mr. Slattery died Dec. 14 at St. Therese Hospital, Waukegan. He had lived in Elmwood Park for many years and was a member of St. Williams Church in Chicago. He was employed by the Internal Revenue Service before retirement.

Surviving is his brother, the Rev. William Slattery of Wadsworth. He was preceded in death by an infant sister, Marie.

Interment will be in All Saints Cemetery, Des Plaines. Visitation was at Strang Funeral Home, Antioch.

Boris Kazy-Garey

Funeral services for Boris Kazy-Garey, 78, of Loon Lake, will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, Dec. 17, at the Strang Funeral Home, Antioch.

Mr. Kazy-Garey died Dec. 14 at home. He was born in Russia and had lived in Antioch since 1963. He was a retired chief petty officer with the U.S. Navy. He was a member of VFW Post 4308, Lake Villa; the Antioch Lions Club; and the United Methodist Church in Antioch. He operated the Boris Garey Auto Electric Service in Antioch since 1963.

Survivors are one son, Daniel of Alden; and six grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mathildis.

Interment will be in Liberty Cemetery north of Antioch.

Jack H. Sizemore

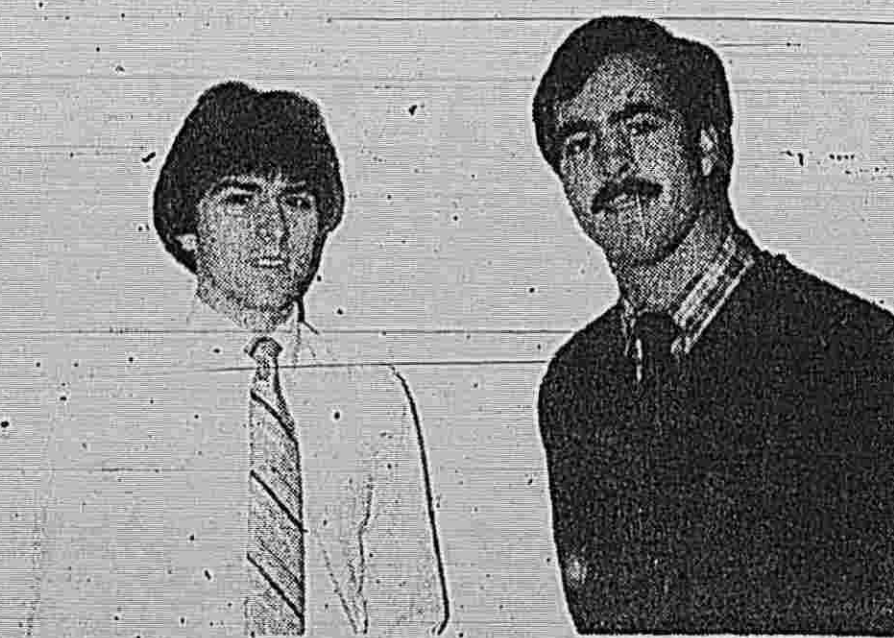
Funeral services for Jack H. Sizemore, 55, of Rainbow Lake Manor, Antioch, will be held Wednesday, Dec. 17, in Sulligent, Ala.

Mr. Sizemore died Dec. 10 at the Veterans Administration Hospital, North Chicago. He had lived in the Antioch area for several years and in Rainbow Lake Manor for the past year.

He was a member of the Loyal Order Of Moose in Harvard. He had worked as a bus driver and a maintenance man at Antioch Grade School and most recently was a bus driver for Ritzenthaler Bus Co. in Mundelein.

Survivors are his widow, Betty; one son, Victor of Quincy; one daughter, Mrs. Archie (Kathy) Thurber of Ladysmith, Wis.; one stepson, Richard Mercatoris of Chicago; two brothers, Lee and Middleton, both of Beaverton, Ala.; four sisters, Mrs. Ethel Markham of Sulligent, Ala., Mrs. Beulah Mosley of Beaverton, Mrs. Annie McDaniel of Morris, Ala. and Mrs. Anna Lou Rogers of Birmingham, Ala.; and four grandchildren.

Interment was in the Sizemore Cemetery, Beaverton, Ala. Visitation was at the Strang Funeral Home, Antioch.



PROMOTE AWARDS — Antioch Jaycee Distinguished Service Award Committee co-chairman Larry Hanson, on left and chairman Bill Stanley, are anxious to announce the winners for the awards banquet on Jan. 10. The banquet will recognize the outstanding leaders of the Antioch area. Winners will be chosen on Dec. 17. Featured speaker for the evening will be Mr. Bill Brock of the State Bank of Antioch.

Top students honored

High honor roll students at Antioch Community High School were recognized at a reception held Nov. 19 in the school's cafeteria.

It was the second such meeting of the school year held to recognize the more than 150 students achieving the high honor roll for the first nine-week grading period.

Also in attendance were members of ACHS's faculty, administration and staff.

Jack Hudson, a consultant in electrodynamics affiliated with the College of Lake County, spoke to the group on the field of engineering, the tasks of an engineer and the qualifications needed for an engineering degree.

The recognition meeting was sponsored by the Antioch Community High School Association. The next reception is scheduled to be held after the first semester high honor roll is released.

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Top students told

The Illinois State Scholarship Commission (ISSC) has identified 10,174 students as 1981-82 Illinois State Scholars based on examination scores and high school academic record.

More than 37,255 students entered the competition by taking the American College Testing (ACT) examination last spring as high school juniors and designated the ISSC as a recipient of the scores.

The high school class rank was also considered for students whose scores warranted further evaluation.

All State Scholars will receive a Certificate of Merit from the commission which

identifies them as having high academic achievement while in high school.

The winners from Carmel High School for Girls in Mundelein, Illinois are: Maryann L. Best, Mary E. Brunke, Lori A. Civello, Tracy A. Dieck, Maribeth A. Dorjvan, Cathleen G. Finnegan, Anne C. Fruchterman, Kathleen M. Gaines, Suzanne V. Haney, Karen A. Kaufmann, Carolyn A. Kleppe, Mary B. Loula, Ann M. Nemanich, Laurie A. Oberembt, Carla C. Padock, Carolyn A. Ratican, Margaret A. Steele, Kathleen A. Venn, Gina T. Wasil and Renee M. Wolff.



BOARD MEETING

The regular meeting of the Antioch Community Consolidated District 34 Board of Education of Tuesday, December 16, 1980 will begin at 9 p.m.

CONFIRMATION — On Reformation Sunday, Oct. 26, Saint Stephen Lutheran Church, a congregation of the Illinois Synod, Lutheran Church in America, confirmed thirteen young people. They are, left to right (front row): Carrie Anne Cullen, Denise Ellen Traska, Amy Jo Hoft, Jodelle Marie Kuechle, Kelly Jo Gilmore,

Daniel Wayne Traska, and Hartley James Erickson; (back row): Bradley Edward Korando, Richard Alexander Kuehn, Steven Todd Mueller, Stephen Vern Redman, Andrew Thomas Burkhardt, and Paul Todd Vollers. Pastor Charles E. Miller has been serving Saint Stephen since February 1, 1980.

ASL starts N.O.W.

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McKinney added that "By offering this new service our customers will now be able to do one stop banking at either of our two locations."

Thanks given to AMHA

Members of the Antioch Mental Health Association have received two letters thanking them for their donations.

One letter was from Mrs. Virginia Matson, founder and president of the Grove School in Lake Forest.

Mrs. Matson said that the gift of \$9,000 brought tears and murmured prayers, especially as this past year has been a difficult one financially for Grove School.

Also received was a letter thanking members for \$3,000 donated to the Riverside Foundation in Mundelein. This is an intermediate care facility for mentally retarded adults.

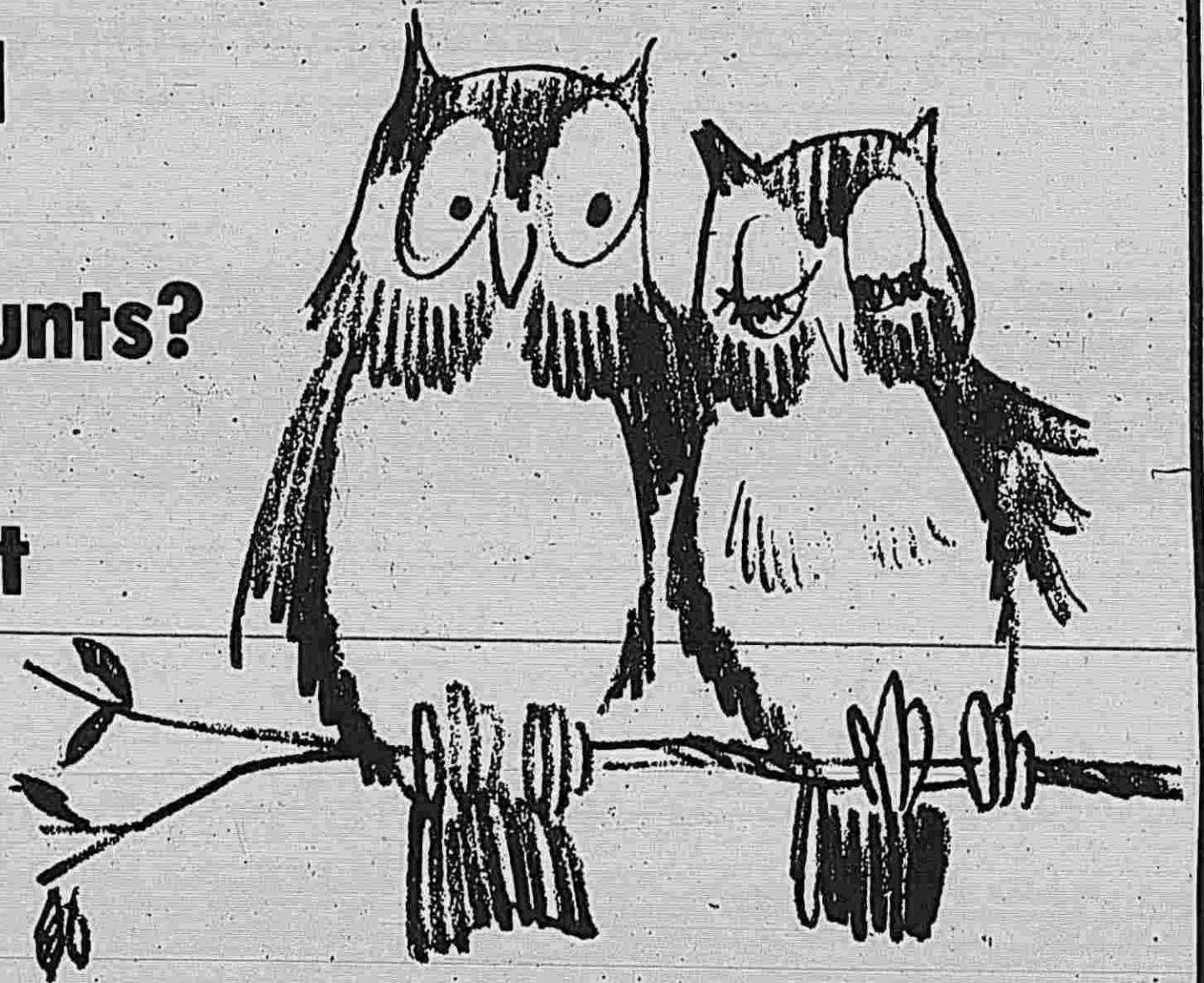
The Antioch Mental Health Association operates the Thrift Shop at 921 Main Street in Antioch. They also have an annual dinner-dance in the Spring.

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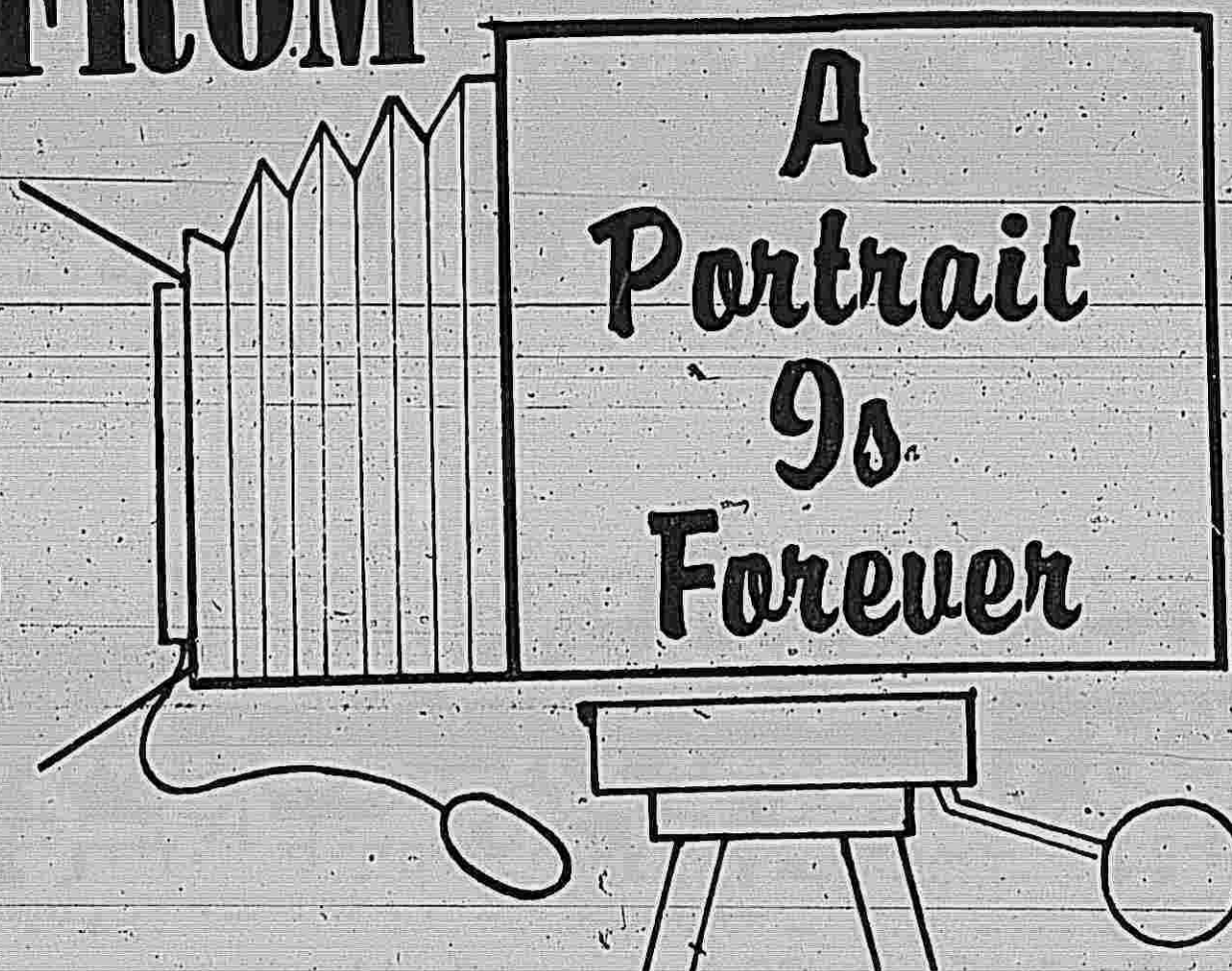
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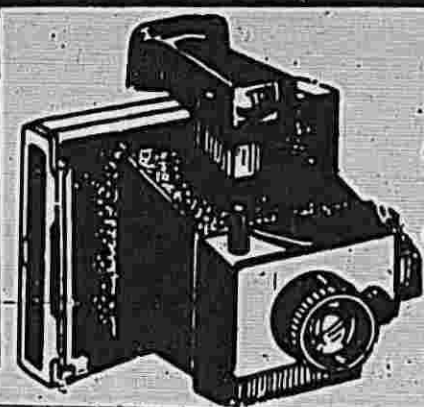
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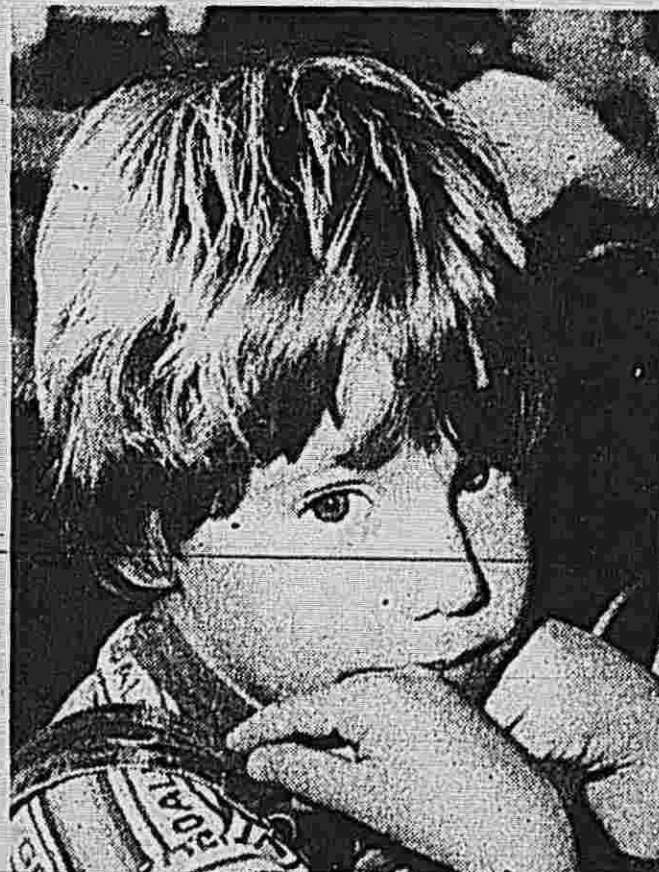
JESSICA PETERSON, 5, "I want a pink bicycle with as dolly that cries."



DAVID RYAN, 5, "I want a space ship from Star Wars where you push a button and the guns go on."



AMY LOSER, 4, "A squishy baby doll that I can name Erika 'cause I like that name."



JOHN ZARFINSKI, 4, "A Ronald MacDonald doll and a dump truck to put in the dirt."

TOYS FOR TOTS

People wishing to donate toys for needy children may drop them off at the office of the Antioch News and Antioch Reporter, at 952 Main St., where the United States Marine Corps will distribute them to children in Lake County.

SCHOOL BOARD

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education of Antioch Community High School, District 117, Lake County, Antioch, Illinois 60002, will be held on Thursday, Dec. 18, at 7:30 p.m., in the Board Room.

Results—

TENPIN TOPPLERS

December 9
High Team Series: Anchor Coupling, 905, 821, 805 — 2531.
High Individual Series: Gladys Prihoda, 149, 186, 204 — 539.

TEAM RESULTS

Anchor Coupling beat Quaker, by 4 points.
Nail Benders beat Furlan's Dug Out, by 3 points.
Joe & Helen's beat Hartnell Chevy, by 3 points.
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Lakeland Newspapers hosts Bridal Show '81

Lakeland Newspapers has announced what should prove to be an enjoyable afternoon for future brides and mothers.

Lakeland Newspapers' Bridal Show '81, slated for Jan. 18, will familiarize brides preparing to walk down the aisle for the first time with the many different aspects of planning a wedding. It will also be a handy information session for mothers of the bride, whether it's the first daughter to take the step or the 10th.

Top Lake County merchants dealing in weddings will be on hand to explain how they will help plan every aspect of the wedding to insure that the wedding day will be one not forgotten.

In addition to many helpful planning tips, participating merchants will be giving away many wedding-oriented prizes to those attending the Bridal Show '81.

Highlight of the show will be a presentation of bridal fashions by Volle's Bridal Gallery in Lake Zurich. Fashions of all designs will be spotlighted in this show presented by one of the most respected names in bridal galleries.

The Lakeland Newspapers' Bridal Show '81 will be held at Harbor Ridge Country Club, Rte. 59 and Grass Lake Rd. south of Antioch. The show will run from 1 p.m. to about 4:30 p.m. and will feature ample time for visitors to confer with exhibitors at the show.

Twenty exhibitors, each a specialist in each aspect of wedding or newlywed planning, will participate in the show and each will be giving away special prizes to lucky brides-to-be.

Volle's Bridal Gallery will give a \$150 gift

certificate good toward the purchase of a wedding dress.

Other participants and prizes include a complete wedding photography package from VI East Photography in Round Lake; free music for one wedding by The Dance Machine; free silver and crystal for one wedding from Taylor Rental, Grayslake; free tuxedos for the wedding party from Mr. Tux of Lake Zurich.

Other participants and prizes include a free one year's membership in their video club from Video Flix of Mundelein and a \$50 gift certificate from Ralph's Florist of Round Lake.

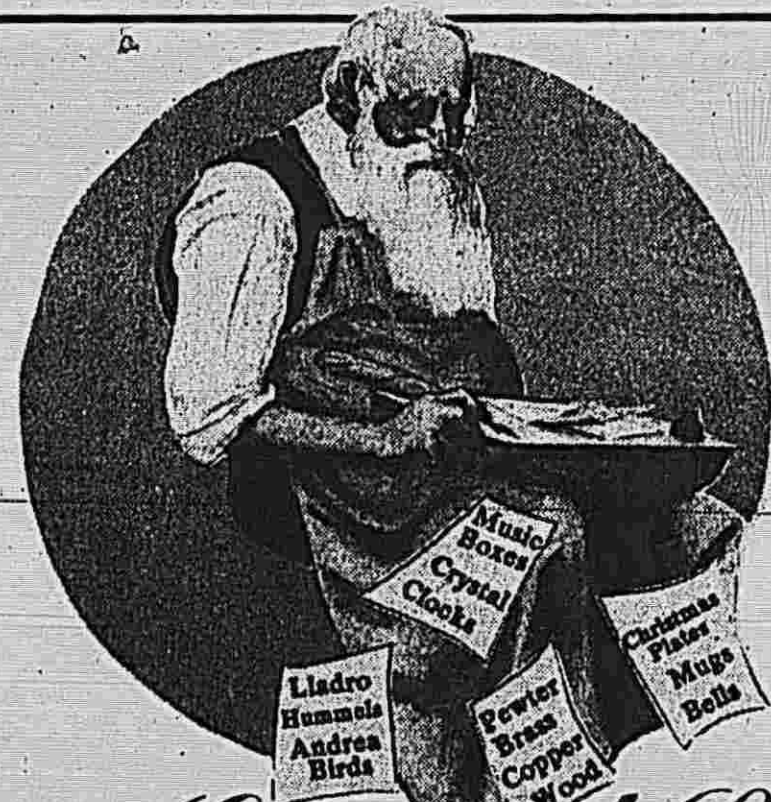
Also exhibiting, but prizes yet unannounced are Culco-Wearever of Libertyville and Hair Performers of Round Lake, with new exhibitors joining the list daily.

Admittance to the Lakeland Newspapers' Bridal Show '81 is by invitation only. Invitations will be sent to recently engaged brides-to-be whose engagement announcements have appeared in recent issues of your local Lakeland Newspaper.

Reservations are also available by contacting Gloria Faller at the Grayslake office of Lakeland Newspapers, 223-8161.

Harbor Ridge Country Club is easy to reach from the north or south via Rte. 59, and east or west using Grass Lake Rd. or Grand Ave.

For more information on Lakeland Newspapers' Bridal Show '81 see ad which appears elsewhere in this week's Lakeland Newspaper.



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HAPPY SENIORS — On Friday, Dec. 12, Christmas cheer in the form of a party and gifts was brought to needy seniors of Antioch, sponsored by Chain of Lakes Senior Services. Having a good time at the United Methodist Church are, from left, Martha Kimmy, Bernita Johnson, COLSSV, and Emma A. Zeralli. — Photo by Gloria Davis

A woman's place



Along the way with ANNIE MAE

Was that the bells that ring when a jack-pot is hit or wedding bells that "announced" mayoral candidate Robert Wilton heard in Las Vegas last weekend?

Speaking of mayoral candidates, Henry Gillman, Oakwood Knolls, unsuccessful candidate for mayor in the last election, called to announce that he was going to file candidacy papers on Monday, Dec. 15.

Gillman said that the recent village board "blow-ups" had triggered his candidacy as an "An honest mayoral candidate."

Still in the same vein or should I say reign, Mayor Michael Haley's dinner, annually held for the village employees, was a success as 100 of Antioch's finest had a good time at the feast served at the Moose Lodge.

And more congrats are due Dan Barth who was just elected vice president of the newly formed chapter of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity at Eureka College.

My spies at the Antioch Community High School tell me that the seventh annual toothpick bridge contest recently held, had 30 bridges on the entry list, made by students

from Antioch, Grayslake and Warren.

Antioch's winners included: originality of design division; third place, Bob Barnes; beauty of design division; first place, Dave Witek, second place, Paul Koenig; strength division; first place, Jeff Schleusner and Bill Martys, second place, Bob Barnes and third place, Bruce Nelson.

As long as we're playing "School Days" I would like to congratulate Phil Bielawski, a frosh at Carthage College, Kenosha, who was awarded a varsity numeral at the school's fall sports banquet on Dec. 9.

I wouldn't miss the Dec. 22 village board's committee meeting for anything. At 7 p.m. they will discuss the proposed commercial complex with members of the Antioch Chamber of Commerce there to ask questions and get more information on the subject.

Then at 8 p.m. they are scheduling a discussion on the total rate increase of 19.7 percent being asked for by Commonwealth Edison.

I don't know about you folks, but after the 14.4 percent increase last year, if my electric bill goes up another 20 percent this year I

When I think about it Only 'Mom' can make a purple Christmas tree

by GLORIA DAVIS

I once read somewhere or other that it's important to establish family traditions. I can't remember whether or not the article explained why it's important, but I must have been in one of my storybook family moods, so I set about creating traditions for my wary family.

Mr. Webster says that a tradition is a repeated custom, transmitted through the ages, such as the memory of the smell of mom baking her own special Christmas stollen for breakfast early every Dec. 25; or the crackling of the yule log blazing in the fireplace on Christmas Eve, as the family gathers around the tree to open their presents.

Yes, tradition seems to be more indiginous to the holidays than to any other time of the year, customs like packing everyone into a horse driven sleigh and skimming through town singing Christmas Carols.

So, one year I went out and bought an apron, since I didn't own one, bent on creating the properly domestic picture for my children to carry in their memories, turned my recipe book to the S's, preheated the oven and began baking a memorable cherry stollen for breakfast on Christmas morning.

My family's comments were heartwarming, "Whew, who got sick in the kitchen?" and "No thanks, I'll have a bowl of Cheerios."

When my husband said, "This is stollen? Too bad someone didn't, there's not a judge in the world that would convict him," I scratched that idea and packed my apron away.

Then I tried lighting a cheery fire in the fireplace one Christmas Eve resulting in complete redecoration of our living room after the fire department left.

It seems that a fake fireplace like we have doesn't operate the same as those in the stories penned by Charles Dickens.

The idea of the sleigh riding Christmas caroling also bit the dust since we didn't own

even one little pony much less a sleigh and often didn't have snow on Christmas, not to mention that the singing voices that I and my family were blessed with would have had us arrested for disturbing the peace.

And a Christmas spent in jail just didn't seem to be the kind of family memory to be passed down from generation to generation.

Then I hit upon the perfect idea, the Davis family would have Christmas trees like no other Christmas trees anywhere.

So every year I would search the tree lots for a perfectly shaped "Christmas card" tree, take it out in the yard and armed with several cans of fireproof spray paint, set about creating a Davis family Christmas tradition.

One year I sprayed the tree pale pink and the kids made red velvet lollipops to hang all over it, complaining all the while, "Why can't we have a plain green tree like everybody else?"

There was the year that we had a shiny gold tree and as the kids hung plastic oranges on the stiff branches that never shed a needle, since the paint immediately killed the tree and glued the needles in place, they asked, "Why can't we have a green tree like everyone else?"

We even had a purple tree with pink roses and the most unusual of all, a black tree adorned with red, white and gold ornaments.

Bent on establishing the only tradition I could come up with, I stolidly ignored certain remarks about green trees that continued to float around every tree decorating time.

Now that the kids have their own homes I feel I have done my job, so a few years ago I bought a small artificial green tree which is easily and quickly set up each year and guess what the first thing my adult offsprings say as they come home for the holidays is, "What color is the tree this year?" And they are visibly disappointed as they sight the "green tree like everyone else's."

think I'll dig the candles out.

Shades of Rin Tin Tin, a resident of Mr. Wonderful's for seven years, recently sold along with the resort when it was put on the market, was on of the 52 canines that auditioned for "Those Amazing Animals" on channel seven.

Gerónimo, a german sheppard, was one of the top six who "got the part," and can soon be seen singing "Happy Birthday" on the channel 7, scheduled airing date is Feb. 1.

The other day Jimmie Wilcox called me to have a thanks put in this column to the Antioch Rescue Squad for saving his life.

Wilcox was due for an operation at St. Clares Hospital in Monroe, on Oct. 31 when he had a severe heart attack on Oct. 29 and

was sent home to recoup before another operation could be attempted.

After a visit to Madison, where it was discovered that he had four heart blockages, he was again slated for a heart bypass on Dec. 18.

On Dec. 2 he suffered a massive heart attack. It was then that he was transported to Victory hospital, Waukegan, by the rescue squad where he is again recouping before facing surgery.

But besides praising the Antioch Rescue Squad, he expressed some worry about his 70 year old mother who was alone and without relatives and friends during the holidays.

Annie Mae informed those who man the Antioch Senior Center in hopes that they could get in touch with Wilcox's mother.

UNITED FUND

United Way of Lake County campaign chairman, John P. Clennon, announced Tuesday a total of \$1,771,241 has been raised in the 1980-81 campaign. This figure represents a 10.1 percent increase over the record amount raised last year.

Antioch Bowl Friday Men's

High Games: Fred Salko, 234; Don Catanzaro, 216; Larry Hendrickson, 215; Joe Priory, 211 and Ken Jones, 208.

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AARP Christmas party attracts 181 members

by BERNICE BERNAU
(356-5649)

Dolly Spiering, president of the Antioch Chapter 387 of the American Association of Retired Persons, welcomed 181 members at the club's annual Christmas party held at the Country House Restaurant in Antioch on Dec. 9.

The meaning of Christmas poem was read by Cecile Mann.

Entertainment was arranged by Esther Aiani. The Antioch Community High School Brass Choir Band directed by John Olisar played several Christmas songs and the 16 students in the Antioch High School Swing Choir sang all the old-favorite Christmas carols and a few new ones. The youths and their director received a standing ovation for their outstanding performance.

Emily Novotny, member of AARP, played the piano for community singing and dancing.

The favors that decorated the tables, a felt Santa Claus napkin holder, doubled as a Christmas decoration on the members' dresses and coat lapels. They were made by Arlene Brumbaugh and several ladies on her committee.

Dolly Spiering gave board members and committee persons gifts in appreciation for their work the past year.

Twelve bottles of wine

were awarded as attendance prizes.

Mrs. Aiani, Clarence Spiering, Frances Winiecki and Bill and Frances Tomasik get credit for the many gifts that were collected from the following businesses: Antioch Drugs, Antioch Savings and Loan, Barr Funeral Home, First National Bank of Antioch, First State Bank of Antioch, Floral Acres, Foremost Liquors, Fox Lake Savings and Loan, Illinois Bell Telephone Co., Strang Funeral Home and Dr. Robert Sven, DDS.

Tickets were sold for several of the items and raised \$141 for the club. The club takes this time to thank all the merchants who were so generous and helped to make the party a success.

All the ladies received four place mats or a tray while the men received Rand McNally Road Atlas & Travel Guides in handy folders. Everyone received a 1981 pocket organizer with a ballpoint pen and key ring and a personal directory.

Frances Winiecki recognized all her committee and thanked them for all their support at the White Elephant Sale conducted at the Nov. 25 meeting. A total of \$169.50 was raised at the project.

Members were asked to make note that meetings will no longer be held at St. Peter's Catholic Church. Starting Jan. 13, the AARP

meetings will be held at the new Antioch Area Senior Center, 817 Holbek St., right in back of the new Antioch Fire Station. Doors open at 9 a.m. for a breakfast of rolls and coffee. For those who wish to have lunch there, they must call by Jan. 8, to make their reservation. Members who made their reservation at the meeting, and who may wish to cancel, should also call by Jan. 8. To make a reservation, call Carol Easley, coordinator for the Catholic Charities who sponsor the program, dial 395-7122. An anonymous donation is asked. The meals cost \$1.79 to prepare. Donate what you can afford.

Members not wanting lunch, are notified that the meeting will start at 1 p.m.



JOLLY TREE SALESMAN — Santa is really busy this season, he's even selling real Christmas trees out at Lasco's on Rt. 83. Here Santa points out some of the good points of this pine to some tiny shoppers. — Photo by Gloria Davis

Making Headway



Katherine Ann Mors

Katherine Anne, weighed six pounds, five ounces at birth, Nov. 4. She is the daughter of John and Mary Mors, Antioch. Grandparents are William and Edna Barr, Antioch, and Edwin and Genevieve Mors, Northbrook. Great grandmother is Catherine Barr, Chicago.

Justin Robert Brown

A son, Justin Robert, was born on Nov. 24 at Condell Memorial Hospital to Willis and Katherine Brown of Island Lake. He weighed six pounds and half an ounce. He has one brother, Willis, 3. Grandparents are Wesley and Frances Kick of Mundelein and Robert and Margaret Brown of Wauconda. Great grandparents are George and Eileen Kick of Antioch and Victor and Alice Bedor of Randolph, Vermont.

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Antioch News Sports



TALK THINGS OVER — Jeff Dresser, left, and Head Coach Roger Andrews talk with Antioch players about strategy during Sequoits 69-62 non-conference loss to visiting North Chicago Dec. 13. Antioch hosts Wauconda at 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19, in non-conference action. — Photo by David Curtis.

Sequoit frosh win

This past weekend, the Freshmen Wrestling Sequoits won their first Northwest Suburban Conference (N.W.S.C.) match of the season by a whopping score of 54-12 over the Grayslake Rams. On Saturday, the young Sequoits brought home the third place trophy from the Grayslake Invitational Wrestling Tournament.

Scoring win for the Sequoits on Friday evening were: Ken Sandrick, Keith Nieze, Roger Tragasz, Steve Case, Matt McGrain, Ed Silva, John Wellin, Jeff Gibson, Jewel Holland and Jim Geier.

Team standings for the tournament were: Warren — 211, Grant — 209, Antioch — 155, Jacobs — 81, Round Lake — 73½, Ridgewood — 61, Grayslake — 49 and Lake Zurich — 20.

Tournament place winners for the Sequoits were: Steve Case — Champion 126 pounds, Ed Silva — Champion 138 pounds, John Wellin — Champion 145 pounds, Jim Geier — Champion 185 pounds, Ken Sandrick — second place 90 pounds, Jeff Bison — second place 155 pounds, Roger Anderson — third

place and Matt McGrain — third place 132 pounds.

This Friday, the Sequoits will travel to Wauconda High School — with the meet starting at 6:30 p.m. On Saturday, the young Sequoits Matmen will participate in the Warren Invitational Wrestling Tournament starting at 10 a.m.

Young Sequoit grapplers capture tournament title

People who were in downtown Antioch may have been wondering who the busload of excited kids that were riding through town Saturday night Dec. 13 showing "we're number one," were.

It was the victorious Antioch wrestlers returning with first place from the Buffalo Grove team tournament.

Antioch entered the tournament Saturday against the Host School Buffalo Grove and came out with a close 28-23 win.

WITH THE SCORE 25-23,

Antioch had to win at heavyweight to assure the victory. Ted Bessette came through with a 5-0 decision to place Antioch in the semi-finals against county rival Carmel of Mundelein.

Carmel proved to be an easy 49-9 victim as Tad DeRousse at 112, Dave Mannina at 119, George Bessette at 145, Ted Bessette at 185, and Tim Smith at Heavyweight recorded falls.

The finals pitted H.L. Richards High School of Oak Lawn against the Sequoits. Last year Richards had

defeated Antioch for third place. This year the Sequoits were ready for the Bulldogs and won six matches including pins by Doug Mannina at 119 and Bill Carney at 167 and a hard fought tie at 185 to win the meet.

THE YOUNG Sequoits showed a lot of poise in wrestling scores through the entire tournament. Every Sequoit recorded a win with Jeff Canella at 138 and Tad DeRousse at 112 won all three with Ted Bessette at 185 winning two and tying one.

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Sequoits split doubleheader beat Grayslake, lose to NC

The Sequoit varsity basketball team had a double header last weekend, taking one and dropping the other.

On Friday, Dec. 12, Antioch defeated Grayslake by a comfortable 20 point margin, downing the Rams 76-56 with Dee Maras again scoring the most points by putting 22 big ones up on the score board.

Tim Koesser, senior guard wasn't too far behind Maras as he scored 19 points, while "Big" 6-8 senior John Ploss marked up 16 point despite suffering from "foulitis" most of the game.

And some new sports names made a good showing in the game played at Grayslake, Marshall Olson, senior guard and and Gordon Nasenbeny, 6-1 junior.

But the second game played on the Sequoit's home court on Saturday night was a different story entirely as the Warhawks of North Chicago came out on top, beating Antioch 69-62 in an overtime.

Again it was Maras leading the way with 25 points with another familiar senior name, Pete Weber putting 13 points on the board.

Antioch's weakness seemed to lie in the 10 freethrows they missed in both games, missing four times in the crucial fourth quarter in the game against North Chicago.

Another one of their problems was an abundance of fouling, with Ploss fouling out, spending a little more than half the game on the bench.

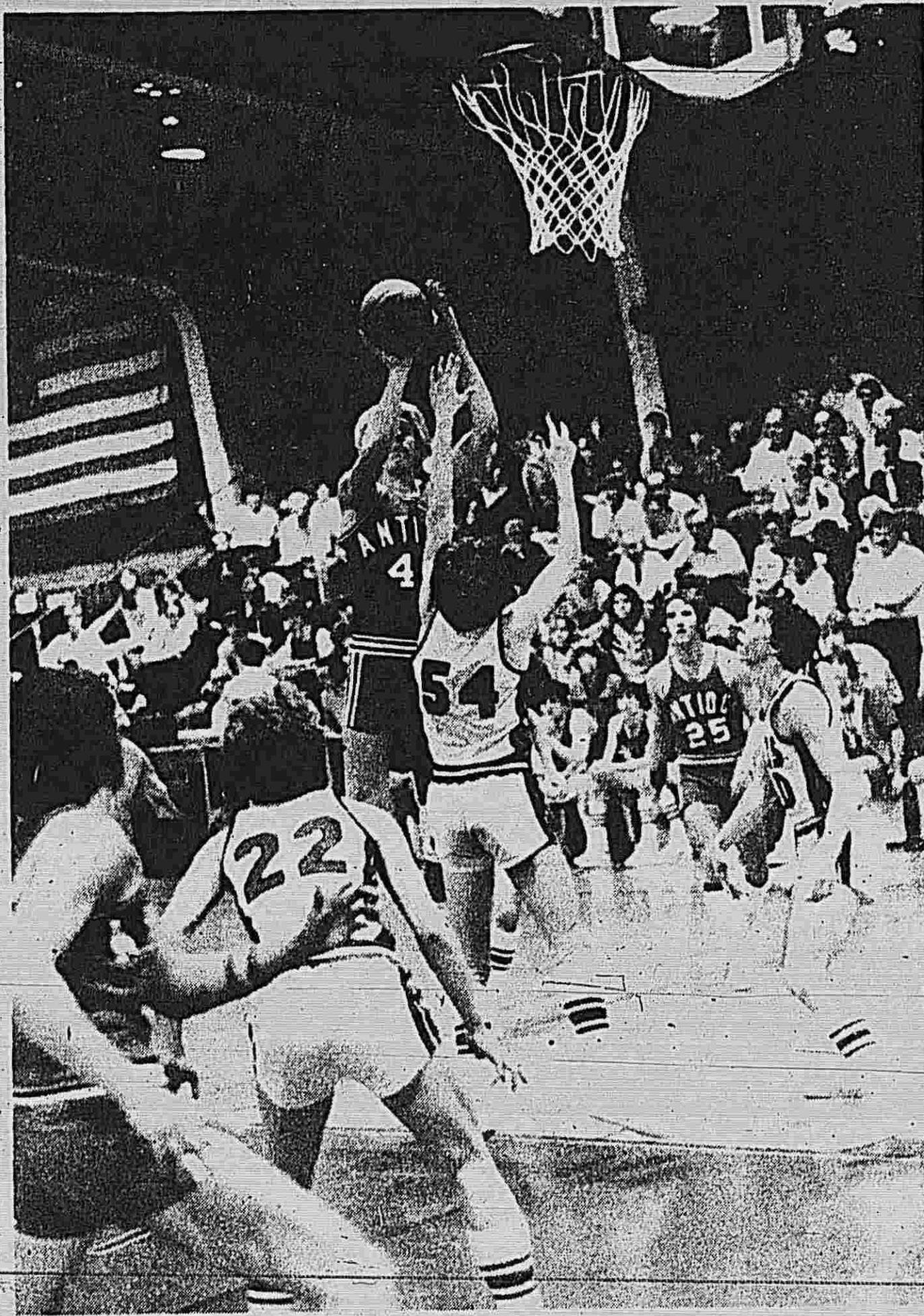
It was Maras' two points that put Antioch ahead with a minute left in the game, but then the Squoits allowed a turnover which allowed North Chicago to tie up the game.

The Sequoits have a twinbill again this week, facing Wauconda Friday and Mudelein on Saturday, Dec. 20.

The Sequoits will go into Friday's game Even Steven with a 3-3 conference record and a 2-0 non-conference record.



Antioch News Sports



AIDS SEQUOIT VICTORY — Antioch center John Ploss, 45, scores basket over Grayslake's Russ Nygaard, 54, during Sequoit's 76-56 Northwest Suburban Conference win Dec. 12 in Grayslake. Sequoits host winless Wauconda at 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19. Antioch is 2-0 in NWSC and 3-3 overall after 69-62 overtime loss to North Chicago Dec. 13. — Photo by Michael H. Babicz.

Wrestling

ROUND ONE ANTIOCH 28, BUFFALO GROVE 23 DECEMBER 13

98 — Wais (A) dec. Wayne (BG), 6-0.
105 — Sykstus (BG) dec. Nieze (A), 8-6.
112 — DeRousse (A) sup. dec. Fullone (BG), 17-3.
119 — Jarecki (BG) dec. Mannina (A), 5-1.
126 — Pritikin (BG) mat dec. Larsen (A), 14-3.
132 — Kessler (A) dec. Wertz (BG), 7-2.
138 — Canella (A) fall McNeill (BG), 0:42.
145 — George Bessette (A) fall Bartelson (BG), 4:39.
155 — Lehn (A) tied Anderson (BG), 5-5.
167 — Redoble (BG) sup. dec. Carney (A), 20-5.
185 — Zyzda (BG) fall Smith (A), 2:06.
Hwt. — Ted Bessette (A) dec. Voth (BG), 5-0.

FINALS ANTIOCH 32, RICHARDS 27

98 Clemens (R) fall Wais (A), 1:48.
105 — Nieze (A) sup. dec. Franks (R), 21-5.
112 — DeRousse (A) forfeit
119 — Mannina (A) fall Colburn (R), 3:17.
126 — Kelly (R) forfeit
132 — Larson (A) maj. dec. Crowley (R), 10-0.
138 — Canella (A) dec. Traylor (R), 7-0.
145 — Johnson (R) maj. dec. G. Bessette (A), 10-2.
155 — Pierce (R) dec. Lehn (A), 6-2.
167 — Carney (A) fall Trudelle (R), 2:56.
185 — T. Bessette (A) tied Sheppard (R), 4-4.
Hwt. — Alekna (R) fall Smith (A), 2:48.

SEMI-FINALS ANTIOCH 49, CARMEL 9 DECEMBER 13

98 — Rich Swindell (C) fall Wais (A), 1:20.
105 — Nieze (A) dec. Jaskowiak (C), 6-2.
112 — DeRousse (A) fall Globis (C), 2:40.
119 — Mannina (A) fall Goodman (C), 3:39.
126 — Larson (A) dec. Dan Emmerich (C), 7-1.
132 — Kessler (A) dec. Coicoin (C), 7-2.
138 — Canella (A) maj. dec. Mike Emmerich (C), 10-2.
145 — George Bessette (A) fall Huster (C), 5:1.
155 — Frank Swindell (C) dec. Lehn (A), 5-0.
167 — Carney (A) forfeit
185 — Ted Bessette (A) fall Domuriak (C), 5:7.
Hwt. — Smith (A) fall Bond (C), 1:48.

ANTIOCH 42, GRAYSLAKE 10 DECEMBER 12

98 — C. Hildinger (GL) fall Wais (A), 3:06.
105 — Nieze (A) dec. Troemel (GL), 8-2.
112 — Mannina (A) tied Precht (GL), 2-2.
119 — DeRousse (A) dec. M. Hildinger (GL), 6-4.
126 — Larsen (A) fall Babuta (GL), 3:24.
132 Kessler (A) tied Hook (GL), 2-2.
138 — Canella (A) maj. dec. Bob Ratajczyk (GL), 9-0.
145 — George Bessette (A) sup. dec. Holiday (GL), 15-1.
155 — Lehn (A) dec. Larsen (GL), 4-3.
167 — Carney (A) forfeit
185 — Ted Bessette (A) dec. Ken Ratajczyk (GL), 7-1.
Hwt. — Smith (A) sup. dec. Phillips (GL), 17-3.

Otten finishes 48th

Robert Otten ran to a forty-eighth place finish at the National Junior Olympics Cross Country meet in Cheyenne, Wyoming. Otten ran with five other runners from the area and placed third as a team.

San Diego won the meet with 114 points, Indian was second at 145 points and the Illinois team was third at 179 points. Rob Leanna of Woodstock, was the top runner in eighth place, Chris Bard and Stewart Allen of Barrington won twenty-third and thirty-third place. Otten in forty-eighth and Bruce Connely and John Dodge of Deerfield was sixty-seventh and eighty-eighth place.

The Illinois Team qualified for the National meet by finishing second in the regional meet in West Virginia. There were ten teams running in the National meet and a total of 150 runners.

Bowling

TENPIN TOPPLERS December 9

High Games: Gladys Prihoda, 204 (539); Tana Miller, 196 (483); Marge Pahlke, 189 (485); Bev Patterson, 188 (474); and Kay Schaefer, 186 (472).

High Series: Gladys Prihoda, 539 (204); Vivian Anderson, 489 (184); Marge Pahlke, 485 (189); Eleanor Richards, 484 (169); and Tana Miller, 483 (196).

High Team Game and Series: Anchor Coupling, 905, 821, 805 — 2531.

Antioch Bowl Friday Men's

High Games: Ted Jung, 235; Joe Priory, 232; Bruce Feldkamp, 226; Don Catanzaro, 224 and George Carroll, 215.

High Series: Ted Jung, 619; Bruce Feldkamp, 582; Dutch Haase, 577; Joe Priory, 570 and George Carroll, 547.

High Team Game: A&J Bar, 1055.

High Team Series: Riverside Inn, 1037 - 1033 - 933 - 3043.

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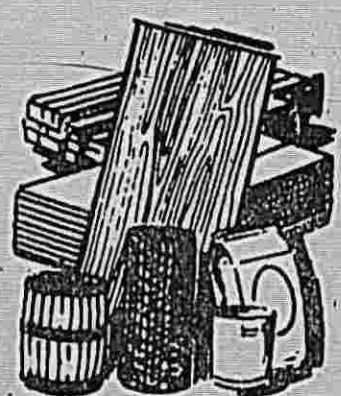
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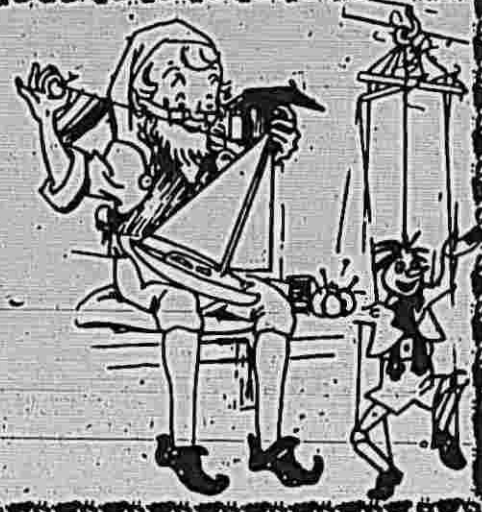
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Last Minute



Grand Prize Winner

Christmas Is Love For One Another

Editors Note: The following theme was the grand prize winner in the Lakeland Newspapers Christmas Theme Contest.

by GREG BOREHAM
Mundelein

At Christmas time there is less war and more peace because Christmas is a time for loving one another just like we are loved by God.

At Christmas time we exchange gifts as a sign that we love the person we give the gift to but we don't have to be waiting for a gift from that person, his expressions and his actions are all that count.

Christmas is a season for wishing, wishing one has a nice Christmas but also wishing people who aren't as fortunate as us will have a nice Christmas also.

It is too bad that the Christmas spirit cannot go all year round, with all of the vandalism and crime in the months of February, March, etc., it's hard to believe that there was at one time, love and affection for one another in the Christmas month. It should stay with us all year round.

Christmas means streets packed with last minute shoppers, children snooping around while parents are out and the wrapping of presents with red and green paper. The decorating of the Christmas Tree with bright red ornaments and shining lights strung about the outside of the tree and red and white candy canes on the inside.

Under the tree is the manger with Mary and Joseph kneeling beside the baby Jesus, shepherds watching over their flock and wise men bring with them gold, myrrh

and frankincense for the newborn Jesus.

Christmas is a joyful time of year with song, usually about the birth of our Lord but sometimes about the occasion itself. And Christmas means parties where friends gather together to sing, dance and to be happy because that's what Christmas is all about, being happy either with our friends, family, relatives or even people we don't even know. We all know a smile can go a long way.

Christmas is a time for families to take vacations either to a warm place like Florida to get away from the cold or to a skiing resort to stay in the cold but to have fun while in it.

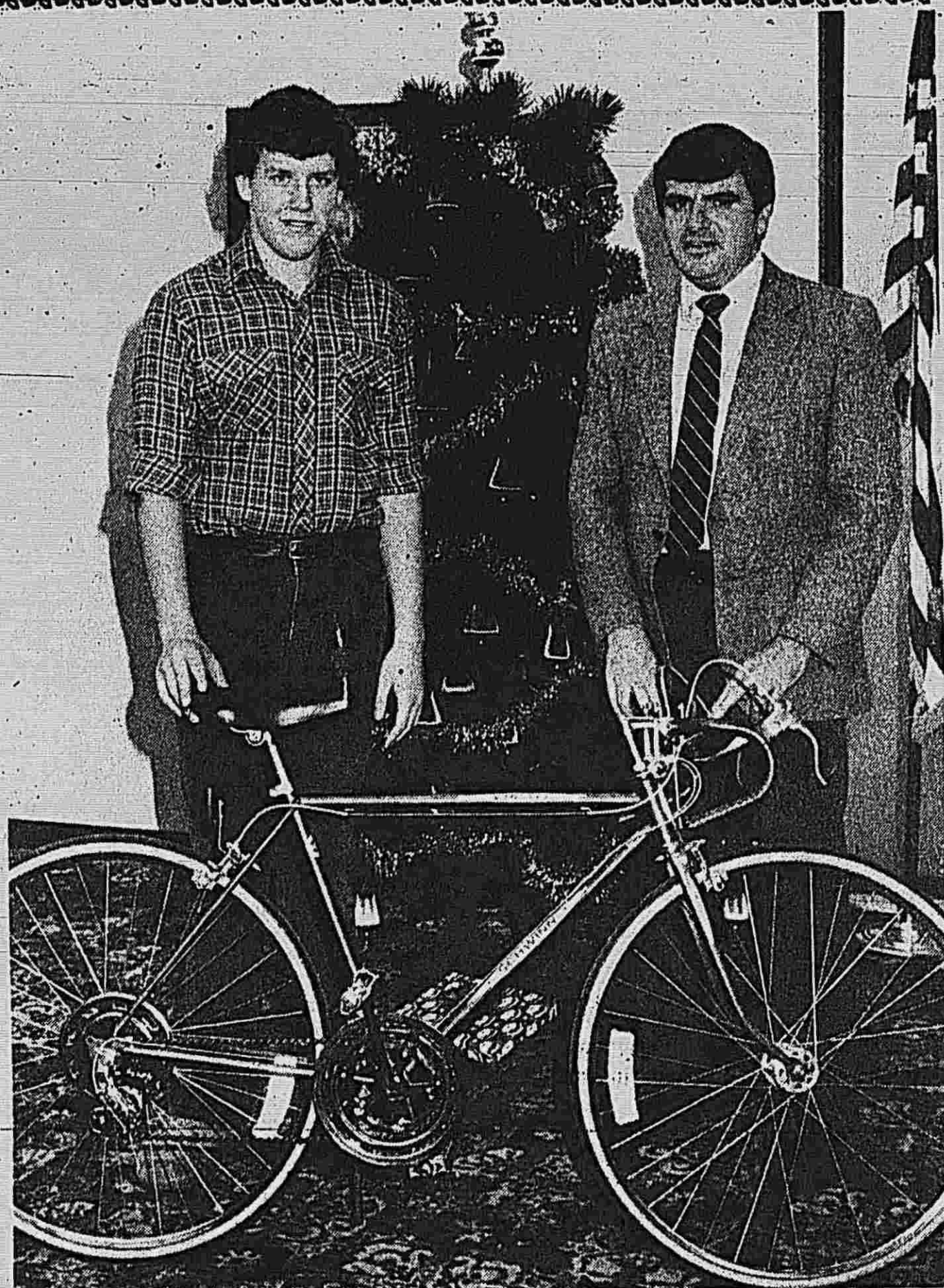
Some people go on vacations to, see family or friends and to spend this glorious occasion with someone they love and they want to be with.

Christmas means fun, fun while opening the gifts beneath the tree and have fun eating the delicious Christmas dinner mother made and sharing it with the people one loves. Having fun in the snow, sleigh rides, snowmobiles and sleds are all a part of Christmas' fun.

After we get inside we wrap up in blankets and quilts, drink hot chocolate and eat marshmallows that we roasted in the fireplace.

Many people think Christmas is just a good time, presents and having fun, but is Christmas really presents or a good time?

No, the real meaning of Christmas is the joyous birth of Christ and Christmas also means the love for one another as the one above loves us.



Grand Prize Winner

Greg Boreham, rural Fremont Township, received grand prize in Lakeland Newspapers Christmas Theme and Coloring Contest. Grand prize of Schwinn 10-speed bicycle, was donated by Premier Banks of Northern Illinois. William Shoemaker, right, president of First National Bank of Mundelein, presented grand prize to Boreham, a student at St. Mary's School in Fremont Center. — Photo By Caroline Kelling.

Yule Means Colored Lights And Happy Music

Editors Note: The following theme was the second place winner in Class II of the Lakeland Newspapers Christmas Theme Contest.

by MOLLY MULLIN
Fox Lake

What does Christmas mean to me? It

Christmas A Time For Love

Editors Note: The following theme won an honorable mention in Class II in the Lakeland Newspapers Christmas Theme Contest.

by KATRINA MEYER
Antioch

Christmas means to me just being together as a family around a nicely decorated tree and that tree we're around has a meaning to everything that makes it beautiful.

Starting from the bottom the presents represent the gifts The Three Kings gave to the newborn king and we still carry out that tradition. The glitter represents the path that led the Three Kings to the manger where the child laid. The lights represent the little stars that brightly shone around the big star.

And at the very top of the tree is the star which led the Wise Men from afar. This tree combined all together has one meaning and it refers to the things I said above and it is, "CHRISTMAS".

means colored lights and happy music. It means the celebration of Christ's birth on earth. It means the way people are so joyous and happy when giving and receiving gifts.

During the Christmas season, nights glow and the air is filled with happy music and wonderful sounds. Snow reflects the lights hung up on houses in celebration of the Christmas season. People at night sing Christmas songs.

More importantly, Christmas celebrates the birth of Christ. People put up advent wreaths to show how many weeks until Christmas. A candle is lit each week until Christmas. Christmas is the day each of us should remember Christ. For some people, putting up a miniature stable to represent the stable Christ was born in, shows their thankfulness to Christ.

On Christmas Day children are excited; parents are calm and joyful. For the children have just opened their first pair of skates or a new dolly and the parents are discovering their presents, too. True joy, however, comes when he or she gives a present to a friend, sister or mother or father.

That is what Christmas really means to me.

BLOOD SCREENING

Free Blood Pressure screening will be offered to the public on Thursday, Dec. 18, at St. Theresa Area Trauma Satellite, (STATS) located on Route 59, just south of Grand Ave. in Lake Villa. No registration is required, just stop by between 11 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Christmas Means Many Happy Things

Editors Note: The following theme was the first place winner in Class II in the Lakeland Newspapers Christmas Theme Contest.

by MARK PALMER
Great Lakes

When I think of Christmas, many things come to mind. Christmas means a lot of happy things to me. Christmas brings a vacation from school that I am glad to have, but it is a lot more than that to me. Christmas is a time of enrichment for the mind, the soul and the senses.

Christmas means hearing many exciting sounds around the house — corn popping during a special Christmas TV show, the laughter of friends, bells ringing and carols being played from the stereo, gusts and whispers of the wind as it blows against the house, hushed voices sharing secrets as to what will go under the tree.

Christmas means the smell of roasting turkey, the spicy fragrance of pumpkin pie in the oven, the clean and fresh smell of evergreens in the house.

Christmas means waking to find a white blanket of new-fallen snow that reflects the colored lights and glittering ornaments, and decorated trees shining from the windows. It means crowds of people trying to gaze on elaborate store window

decorations while in town to do last minute shopping. It means brightly colored packages in a pile that is growing under the green branches.

Christmas means laughing during a family game, setting the big table for a special meal and having friends over for hot chocolate after playing in the snow. It means going shopping and then wrapping the gifts that were so painstakingly chosen. Christmas means preparing the spare room for Maw-Maw to make sure that she is comfortable, and going to meet her at the airport. It means having Christmas Day dinner with good friends.

Christmas means being excited with anticipation of unwrapping your presents, yet having a warm feeling inside because of the things I have given.

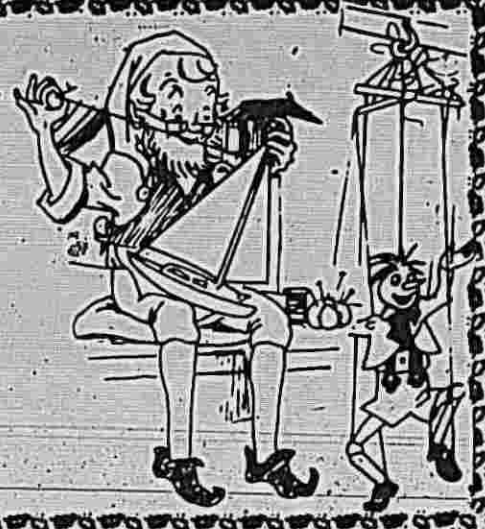
But most important of all, Christmas is a time for remembering the birth of Jesus, some one thousand, nine hundred and eighty years ago. Christmas means having candle light services on Christmas Eve, hearing the story told over again and remembering how baby Jesus came that we might receive the greatest gift ever given, one that makes possible a fuller enjoyment of all the good things of Christmas.



Lakeland Newspapers Contest

Toys For Tots & Gift Guide

Last Minute



These 'Orphans' Enjoy Christmas Time

Editors Note: The following theme won a third place award in Class III in the Lakeland Newspapers Christmas Theme Contest.

by MIKE CIVELLO
Libertyville.

The title of this composition may lead you to believe that my family takes in orphans for Christmas or something good-natured like that. That impression is entirely wrong because "the orphans" refer to my family and two other families in Libertyville.

Because all three of our families have no relatives in the area, we all get together and celebrate Christmas with one another. This is the orphans' fifth year.

Since there are three families and only two days of Christmas celebration, we include Thanksgiving in our orphan celebrations. That way every family hosts one special day.

On Christmas Eve my mother starts to clean house for company that evening. My sisters and I clean our rooms and then sit down to watch my mother run frantically, cleaning the house until it is spotless. While she is cleaning, she always blares Christmas carols sung by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, which almost blows out the speakers.

Following that marvelous rendition is the wonderful Perry Como, who makes me gag. Next comes more of the Mormon

Tabernacle Choir followed by more Perry Como, so by the time the house is up to my mother's standards of cleanliness, we have heard these "cute little tunes" about 23 times.

When the guests arrive, the parents take over the living room. The kids either go up into my sister's room to listen to some rock music (to try to forget those "cute little tunes") or we go downstairs to the family room to check out any new Christmas shows on tv and see if Rudolph is still holding on to the ratings. When we are called to dinner we all cram around the dining room table which is surrounded by an assortment of chairs retrieved from all corners of our house.

Since we have three families around the

table, my mother puts all the extra sections in the table. Now the people at the other end of the table are in a different time-zone and if my father decides to smoke you have to use light signals to carry on a conversation.

After dinner we all practice Christmas carols, singing the songs we all tried earlier to forget. Even though we have good musical accompaniment, Kathy and me, we still sound rather bad.

Christmas morning we all get up and open the gifts in our stockings and then move on to the real presents under the tree. Whenever we get some kind of clothing, we put it on over our pajamas, so by the time we finish we all look pretty silly.

Christmas Is Still Joy And Happiness

Editors Note: The following theme was the third place winner in Class II in the Lakeland Newspapers Christmas Theme Contest.

by MARK RAASCH
Mundelein

What is Christmas? Well, it is a time when people give and share gifts. A time when people love and care more. When children have enormous hopes in which they wish "Santa Claus" would bring them what they asked for.

It's also a time for joy and happiness. The giving of gifts began when Christ was born. All the kings, queens and wealthy people gave Christ gifts of gold, silver, incense and rich and expensive oils. So from that day on we give each other gifts. Of course, most of us don't give oils or incense but some gifts of gold and silver.

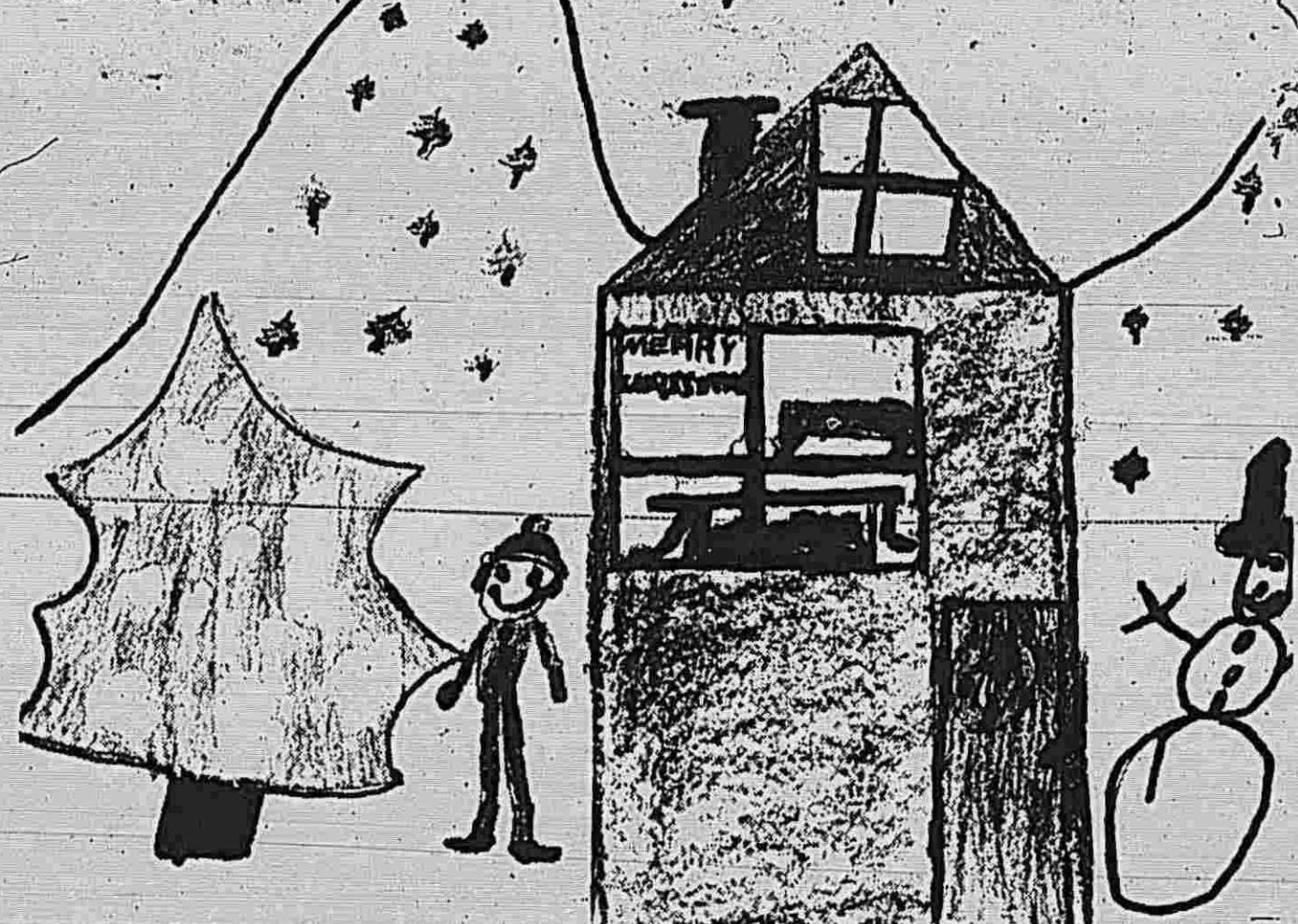
A few weeks before Christmas everyone goes to all kinds of stores to buy different things such as wrapping paper, toys, jewelry or anything that fits the occasion. The night before Christmas everyone

wraps their presents and on the night of Christmas they set their gifts under the Christmas tree. Then in the morning they and their children open the gifts and celebrate. They celebrate by throwing parties or by feasting. First they go to church and thank God for what he has done. Then they call up their friends, neighbors, and relatives and have a big feast. The children are busy playing with their toys with happy faces.

The men are chopping firewood and getting a fire started. The women are baking cookies, candy and other things. As the Christmas tree sparkles you can tell it's a symbol. It symbolizes life by staying green all year round. It shows that Christ grows in many ways. He tells us what to do through our parents, grandparents, teachers and friends we meet every day. Santa Claus is a symbol. He symbolizes joy and happiness.

He also symbolizes good and justice just as God is good and just. Santa Claus often leaves a note to say that the cookies were good that the children left him.

Christmas At My House



Holiday Tribute

Sharlene Hahl of Ingleside won third place in Class I of the Lakeland Newspapers Christmas Coloring Contest with this crayon drawing of Christmas At My House.



On The Rooftop

Crayon drawing of Santa on the rooftop by Sarah DeMeyer of Grayslake won first place in Class I in the Lakeland Newspapers Christmas Coloring Contest.

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Christmas Means Snow, Busy People On The Go

Editors Note: The following theme won the first place award in Class III in the Lakeland Newspapers Christmas Theme Contest.

by LISA EBERHARD
Antioch

Christmas means lovely white snow,
Busy people on the go.
The sparkle in a child's eye!
While mom tells a story of how reindeer fly.

The sound of bells as they ring and the beautiful music the chorus sings!

A brightly lit tree, standing by a window for all to see.

The mistletoe that you can't miss, that's used as an excuse to get a kiss.

The carolers out on the street, that warms the heart of anyone they meet.

Cookies And Chat Make Yule

Editors Note: The following theme received an honorable mention in Class III in the Lakeland Newspaper Christmas Theme Contest.

by KATHLEEN WATKINS

Christmas is such a delightful time of year. I love it when the family gets together to decorate the tree, and everyone is laughing. The looks that are passed around by those who share secrets. I love the closeness I feel to those I share secrets with.

It is so nice to walk into a nice warm house on a cold day and smell the delicious scents coming from the kitchen. All the cookies and candies and different kind of fruit breads. It is so cozy when we all gather in the kitchen around the table to decorate cookies and chat about all the shopping and parties and programs we have enjoyed and the ones we will enjoy before Christmas.

It is wonderful to sit in a room that smells of pines and is lit up by Christmas tree lights and candles. It fills my head full of dreams. At times like this I know miracles can and do happen.

I enjoy searching for the perfect Christmas cards to send to all my dear people. It is such fun writing letters to put in each one and imagining the smiles on the faces of those who will receive them. There is also the fun of getting the mail and enjoying cards and letters from people I haven't seen or heard from for a long time.

I dearly love the Christmas church services. The Christmas songs are so beautiful. I love hearing how special God feels each person is. He must have felt we were very, very special to send his son down to us. He gave the very best gift.

The best part of all is choosing the perfect gifts for each person. Something that will tell each one of them just how special they really are. Maybe that is the most important part of Christmas.

I think that is why everyone laughs so much and you get so many smiles. Everyone feels so special. It's the one time of the year I can really take time to say, "Hey, you're really special to me."

I love it all so much. Christmas is so much to me. It is all the best and most joyful all rolled into one season.

Mom and dad kissing by the tree, or at least they were until they saw me!

The lovely smelling breeze that's in the air, that tells us how love is being shared everywhere!

At this time of year when the children seem so wise and smart, with smiles big enough to warm anyone's heart.

But most of all, what Christmas means to me, is way more than gifts under a tree. It's the reason why we have Christmas, the best holiday of the year. And why we still celebrate it year after year.

Because of the Christ Child born on this day. That was only born to die to take our sins away! The gifts we give are to remember that little child born in the hay! When the wise men bring gifts to our saviour, they bring them to show their respect and that they cared. The reason for the gifts that we each now share!

Holiday Is Family, Tree

Editors Note: The following theme won an honorable mention in the Lakeland Newspapers Christmas Theme Contest.

by KENDELLETE GAINES
Waukegan

Christmas means to me a time when you are with your family decorating your Christmas tree; a time to show your love and affection to your family and your friends. Christmas to me is also a time when you are giving, receiving and sharing. A time when you're most happy, joyful and at the same time thoughtful.

Christmas is a time when you sit back in the designated area for the Christmas tree and make sure the tree looks nice and colorful. Christmas to me is a time when you hang stockings over the chimney. Christmas to me means hiding behind the Big Chair at midnight waiting to see Santa Claus heading for our Christmas tree to put presents under it. This time of year means laying in bed Christmas Eve wondering what presents I have received; asking myself questions like, "I wonder did I get those pants or that game?"

Christmas means I can have a day my way — me and my loved ones. The holiday means delightful and different feasts — merry supping for sure!

Christmas is the only time of year when giving is so very important to each and every one of us. Those of us that truly believe in the real story behind this special day have deep sentiments.

This time of year also means EXTRA kitchen duty! More time will be spent in the kitchen helping to clean or create a really special meal for those frequent hungry guests. The holiday is a day that everything is prepared just right because this day only comes once every 12 months and all plans must go as scheduled so that it will be treasured memories to last us all until the next Christmas.

Christmas means being able to share my thoughts freely in a kind and constructive way. Being thankful for many opportunities — such as this opportunity to express my thoughts of what Christmas means to me. Thank you for this opportunity, it was fun! Merry Christmas.

That is what Christmas means to me. I could write in words as little as three.

Christ Our Savior.

Thank you for letting me share this poem with you. And I hope you have learned something from what I wrote. That it isn't what you get, it's why you got it.



Colorful Site

Ann Schneider of Gurnee won second place in Class I of the Lakeland Newspapers Christmas Coloring Contest for her version of Christmas At My House which featured colorfully decorated Christmas tree.

Childhood Left Me A Long Time Ago

Editors Note: The following theme won the second place award in Class III in the Lakeland Newspapers Christmas Theme Contest.

by LINDA ROSS
Grayslake

Childhood left me a long time ago, but at Christmas age really doesn't seem to matter. My memories of past Christmas's combine and take me back through my years in a gentle manner that keeps the child inside me aware that this really is a special time of year.

Like Dicken's ghosts, the Christmas's of my life seem to be returning — at their will, not mine.

For no reason at all, while paging through the mountain of catalogs, looking at gifts for my children, I suddenly see my father on Christmas morning glowing over the paperweight I made in first grade. It had my picture on the top and "I LOVE YOU" in crayon on the back.

(Why do I smell date nut bread, when I never learned to bake?)

Signs that say "Don't Come In Here!" on my child's door bring back whispered

secrets and hiding places I could find even now.

I remember, too, how some of the sparkle was gone the Christmas after Daddy died. I first noticed it was missing in my mother's eyes and I think I stopped being a child then.

The first Christmas away from home brought me a little boy at 3 a.m. on Dec. 25. I didn't even mind that most of that Christmas was spent on the telephone.

Like most people I get upset when I pick out Halloween costumes that are surrounded in the same aisle by plastic mistletoe and styrofoam candy canes. But by Thanksgiving something almost magical begins to happen and in the midst of the total chaos found only in a shopping center toy store, I can imagine the thrill of riding a new sled down the biggest hill in the world.

Christmas makes me smile as I hear the echoes of voices that are no longer a part of my everyday life. Sometimes I cry. And sometimes I believe I really did see tiny reindeer tracks on the snow-covered picnic table.



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FOR RELEASE WEEK OF DEC. 22, 1980

If your birthdate occurs this week...

Winter arrives with the Full Moon's rise

Hidden messages come through the star-filled skies

Aries Mar. 21 - Apr. 19 Mars

Arian Rams can relax and do a little wool-gathering.

But keep alert for the word that could come this week

regarding last month's question. What you say now

could affect next month's situation.

Taurus Apr. 20 - May 20 Venus

Enjoy the compliments you get for the holiday feast

you prepared in your elegant way. Reward yourself by

planning a post-holiday trip to a romantic hideaway

Make any hideaway romantic with right attitude.

Gemini May 21 - June 20 Mercury

Avoid post-holiday exhaustion by pacing yourself.

After Christmas, answer that letter you've put away.

Before you say "no" to that Capricorn, listen to the full

story. A premature judgment can lead to a rejection.

Cancer June 21 - July 22 Moon

Turn temptation to tell off that pesky person into

something positive. What you don't say won't be re-

peated to you by someone important to your future. It

could assure sweet nothings being whispered to you.

Leo July 23 - Aug. 22 Sun

That Leone Lion who doesn't get trapped in all the

tinzel that glitters this week will find patience pays off.

Plan for a post-holiday adventure. Then roar all you

like to get attention. You earned it.

Virgo Aug. 23 - Sept. 22 Mercury

This is not the week for telling people how you really

feel about them even if you mean to clear the slate.

Most folks will warm to a Virgo who turns on the

charm. Think of how nice you look when you smile.

Libra Sept. 23 - Oct. 22 Venus

Librans with a need to balance the scales of their sign

should be aware that sometimes it's rewarding to let

them tip, if they tip in favor of good times. Lady

Librans, look out for loving Leos.

Scorpio Oct. 23 - Nov. 21 Pluto

Family life is important this week. Spend more time

with old friends as well. Sometimes a friend from the

past emerges anew at a time when you most need that

warm love. Answer questions-but don't volunteer.

Sagittarius Nov. 22 - Dec. 21 Jupiter

The Sagittarian "Hunter" in your sign is pointing at

new promises on the horizon. But first, keep your pro-

mise to yourself to reexamine your love life soon. A

Taurus can be the answer to your questions.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 19 Saturn

The Capricorn Goat is on the rise this week, carrying

your plans forward. Love may present an obstacle for a

while but patience will help you work things out. A

tendency to rush things could push things too far.

Aquarius Jan. 20 - Feb. 18 Uranus

This week, the day that could become the pivotal point

of your life is Wednesday. You'll be asked to make deci-

sions; some of them could lead to interesting areas.

Take the lead when offered the chance to do so.

Pisces Feb. 19 - Mar. 20 Neptune

The Piscean Fish will be looking for diversion and find-

ing all he or she could want. One area could lead either

to a splash in the social swim or a pause in a stagnant

pool. Thrashing around could net unwelcome attention.

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